



President Barack Obama takes his seat before speaking at US African Leaders Summit, Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014 at the State Department in Washington. President Barack Obama and dozens of African leaders opened talks Wednesday on two key issues that threaten to disrupt economic progress on the continent: security and government corruption.

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# As summit closes, Obama hails U.S.-Africa ties

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**WASHINGTON (AP)** — President Barack Obama heralded Africa as a continent on the rise and a growth market for U.S. businesses as he closed an unprecedented summit Wednesday aimed in part at foster-

ing his own African legacy. The summit also marked a rare return to Washington for former President George W. Bush, who launched a \$15 billion HIV/AIDS initiative while in office and has made public health issues in Africa a priority since leav-

ing the White House. Bush partnered with first lady Michelle Obama to host a daylong event for spouses of the African leaders. "There's not many things that convince me to come back to Washington," said Bush, who now lives in Texas

and steers clear of politics. "The first lady's summit, of course, is one." While Obama has continued Bush's AIDS program, he has been seeking his own legacy-building Africa initiatives. This week's U.S.-Africa summit, which

brought together leaders from more than 50 African nations, was seen as a cornerstone of that effort, and Obama pledged to make the gathering a recurring event.

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# Obama, Bush 1st ladies press for girls' education

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**Associated Press**

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Michelle Obama and Laura Bush, first ladies from different generations and opposing political parties, spoke with one voice Wednesday on the importance of educating women and girls worldwide, saying countries will be more prosperous as a result.

"You have to change attitudes before you can change behaviors," Mrs. Obama said.

She noted that some 60 million girls, including 30 million in sub-Saharan Africa, do not attend school. The first lady said that until global leaders understand that educating girls is as important as educating boys, "then we will have a lot of work to do."

"We do need to make sure worldwide that all women are valued," added Mrs. Bush. The current and former first lady commented as they opened a program for more than two dozen spouses of the African officials who are participating in the third and final day of President Barack Obama's U.S.-Africa Leaders Summit. They reprised an event they held in Tanzania last summer, focusing on meeting the needs of women and girls and sharing some of their experiences in the high-profile role of first lady.



**First lady Michelle Obama, left, points out her hairstyle as she sits with former first lady Laura Bush as they participate in the "Investing in Our Future" a discussion at the Kennedy Center in Washington, Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014, as part of the US Africa Summit. Associated Press**

The joint appearance also put on rare public display the warm relationship that has developed between the two since the change of power at the White House. Mrs. Bush "set a high bar for me during her time in the White House" and has long been a source of inspiration, Mrs. Obama said.

"I consider her not just a role model but also a friend," the first lady said. Between serious talk about education and how to keep their projects alive after leaving the White House, the two women

also showed flashes of humor as they joked about White House life.

Former President George W. Bush's institute organized the July 2013 gathering of African first ladies and invited Mrs. Obama to participate after learning that she and her husband would be in Tanzania at the same time.

After Obama decided to hold a U.S. summit with African leaders, Obama aides reached out and proposed a repeat collaboration with Mrs. Bush. Wednesday's program highlighted the role of first

spouses and focused on public-private partnerships and investments in education, health and economic development.

"Taking care of women is good politics," the former president said.

He announced that a global health partnership that says it has helped screen more than 100,000 women in Botswana, Tanzania and Zambia for cervical cancer in the past three years was expanding into Namibia and Ethiopia. Mrs. Obama, a 50-year-old Democrat from Chicago, remains grateful to

Mrs. Bush, for showing her around the White House after Obama was elected in November 2008, among other courtesies.

According to aides, Mrs. Bush, a 67-year-old Republican from Midland, Texas, appreciates a lunch the Obamas hosted at the White House for the entire Bush family after the official portrait of the 43rd president was unveiled in 2012.

At Mrs. Bush's invitation, Mrs. Obama paid a second visit to the White House before her husband's January 2009 inauguration, this time bringing her mother, who now lives at the White House, and daughters Malia and Sasha. Bush's daughters, Barbara and Jenna, came from out of town to show the Obama girls parts of the White House where they had had fun.

In Tanzania, Mrs. Obama said Mrs. Bush was one of the reasons she wanted to participate in the program, although it took place the day the Obamas were departing Africa for home.

"I like this woman," the first lady said, gesturing toward Mrs. Bush. "It's hard to find people who know what you're going through, who understand the burdens and the fears and the challenges. ... It's kind of therapeutic."

"A sorority, I guess," suggested Mrs. Bush. □

## U.S. Army promotes first Vietnamese-American general

**FORT HOOD, Texas (AP)** —

A Fort Hood soldier whose family came to the United States as refugees when he was 10 years old became the first Vietnamese-American to reach the rank of general in the U.S. Army on Wednesday.

Col. Viet Luong received his brigadier general's stars from the Fort Hood commander, Lt. Gen. Mark Milley, at a ceremony Wednesday at the Central Texas Army post.

Luong and nine other family members escaped South Vietnam on a flight

during Operation Frequent Wind in 1975. After a stay at a resettlement camp in Fort Chaffee, Arkansas, the family settled in Los Angeles, the Killeen Daily Herald reported.

Today, he is the 1st Cavalry Division deputy commanding general for maneuver and the first Vietnamese-born officer to reach the position of general staff or flag officer in the U.S. military. "The journey was arduous," he said after his wife pinned his new stars on him. "I don't like to tell that story too much. I'm

deeply humbled. I do have some responsibility ... to tell the story of our nation and what it stands for," he said. "I'm a symbol of democracy, freedom and the justice of our Constitution," he said.

Among the hundreds attending the ceremony were Luong's seven sisters, his mother, wife and three children.

"Viet and sisters are Americans now by choice," Milley said. "He has served this great nation honorably over the last many decades. ... There's no one in



**Col. Viet Luong attends his promotion ceremony, Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014 in Fort Hood, Texas. Luong has become the first Vietnamese-American to reach the rank of general in the U.S. Army. Associated Press**

uniform today that epitomizes what it takes to be an American soldier more than Viet Luong."

Luong commanded combat troops in Iraq in 2006-08 and Afghanistan in 2009-10. □



## Summit

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"Africa must know that they will always have a strong and reliable partner in the United States of America," Obama said at a news conference marking the end of the three-day summit.

Much of the summit centered on boosting U.S. business ties with Africa, which is home to six of the world's 10 fastest-growing economies and a rapidly expanding middle class.

Yet the summit's final day of discussions underscored the challenges that could undermine economic growth. Health crises remain among Africa's most pressing problems, including the current outbreak of the deadly Ebola virus in West Africa.

Obama acknowledged that the public health systems in affected countries have been overwhelmed by the outbreak and said the U.S. was encouraging them to focus their efforts on rapidly identifying and isolating patients.

The president also pledged to expand security cooperation with African nations in order to address threats from terrorism and human trafficking, alluding to U.S. concerns that extremism in North Africa and the Sahel could destabilize the already volatile region.

"The entire world has a stake in peacekeeping in Africa," Obama said.

Before taking questions from reporters, Obama convened a session with African leaders on good governance, universal rights and the strengthening of civil societies. And he defended U.S. engagement with countries that have problematic records on those fronts, arguing that America's involvement can help spur those nations to do better.

Among the leaders treated to an elaborate reception the night before at the White House were figures such as Kenyan President Uhuru Kenyatta, who has pleaded innocent regarding his alleged role in organizing violence that left more than 1,000 people dead. Obama has also

spoken out repeatedly against recent laws passed in some African countries targeting lesbians and gays, including Uganda, which was represented at the summit.

Obama's wife convened a gathering of African first ladies, talking about investments in education, health and economic development. She was joined by Laura Bush, reprising an event the two American first ladies held last summer in Tanzania.

Calling Africa "an under-appreciated continent," Mrs. Obama said it was incumbent upon the world to develop a better understanding of what it has to offer.

Mrs. Obama and Mrs. Bush also focused on the need to educate girls. Mrs. Obama noted that 30 million girls in sub-Saharan Africa do not attend school. "We do need to make sure worldwide that all women are valued," Mrs. Bush said during the rare joint appearance that highlighted the relationship that has developed between the two first ladies.



President Barack Obama, left, talks with Benin President Yayi Boni, center, and Tanzania President Jakaya Kikwete, right, at the start of the 3rd Session at the US African Leaders Summit, Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014, at the State Department in Washington.

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George Bush also gave his endorsement for efforts to support women in Africa, declaring, "Taking care of women is good politics." He announced that a global health partnership that helped screen more than 100,000 women in Botswana, Tanzania and Zambia for cervical cancer

in the past three years was expanding into Namibia and Ethiopia.

Bush has made frequent trips to Africa since leaving the White House.

The White House said Obama and Bush did not meet while the former president was in Washington Wednesday. □

## Defense says Cole attack mimicked a U.S. ruse

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Associated Press

**FORT MEADE, Maryland (AP)** — The tactics used to attack the USS Cole in Yemen in 2000 were similar to a ruse the United States considered acceptable during World War II, a lawyer said Wednesday in seeking dismissal of six of the 11 charges facing the Guantanamo detainee accused of orchestrating the bombing that killed 17 U.S. sailors.

Lawyers for Abd al-Rahim al-Nashiri backed up their argument at a pretrial hearing in Cuba by showing a military judge about 22 minutes of a black-and-white film produced in 1944 by the Office of Strategic Services, predecessor to the CIA. The film documented a plan to attack German and Japanese naval ships with a remote-controlled speedboat disguised as a Danish fishing vessel and packed



This Sunday Oct. 15, 2000 file photo shows investigators in a speed boat examining the hull of the USS Cole at the Yemeni port of Aden, after a powerful explosion ripped a hole in the U.S. Navy destroyer.

Associated Press

with explosives. Although the plan wasn't carried out, it was considered an acceptable form of naval warfare, said Air Force Capt. Daphne Jackson, a

member of al-Nashiri's defense team. Therefore, she said, government prosecutors shouldn't be allowed to charge al-Nashiri with war crimes for allegedly us-

ing a similar tactic.

"The conduct they're attempting to criminalize is not a war crime that is firmly grounded in international law," Jackson said.

The U.S. government says the Cole was bombed by two al-Qaida terrorists who set off explosives as they pulled their fishing boat up to the destroyer.

Jackson cited a defense that asserts the prosecuting power has committed an act identical to an alleged offense. German naval commander Karl Doenitz successfully used the defense during the post-war Nuremberg trials to avoid sentencing for ordering his navy not to rescue survivors of German submarine attacks.

Prosecutors countered that the concept has since been universally rejected as a criminal defense. Furthermore, "the government never actually engaged in the conduct the defense wants to rely on for dismissal," prosecutor Justin Sher said. The Office of Military Commissions judge did not say when he would rule on the matter. □



# Kansas Sen. Roberts overcomes tea party challenge

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**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Republican Sen. Pat Roberts beat back a tea party challenger in the Kansas primary election to join four other mainstream conservative incumbents who have clipped the wings of the small government, low tax rebels, improving the Republican's hopes of taking back the Senate in November general elections. With 100 percent of the precincts reporting, Roberts had 48 percent to Wolf's 41 percent while two other candidates combined for 11 percent of the vote. Wolf, a radiologist and distant cousin of President Barack Obama, had campaigned on a message that accused Roberts of not being sufficiently conservative. The Republican establishment blames the tea party for costing it Senate control in 2010 and 2012 as upstart candidates stumbled in the general election. Republicans need to net six seats to regain the Senate, and the party has taken no chances this election cycle, putting its full force behind incumbents and mainstream candidates.



**U.S. Sen. Pat Roberts with his wife Franki makes his victory speech at a Johnson County Republican's election watch party Tuesday, Aug. 5, 2014, in Overland Park, Kan.**

**Associated Press**

To that end, the Senate's establishment incumbents have kept their name on the ballots in primaries in Texas, Kentucky, South Carolina and Mississippi, though it took six-term Sen. Thad Cochran two tries before defeating Chris McDaniels, who is challenging the outcome. Kansas joins the list. This year, the November elections should favor Republicans because the party that holds the White House historically does poorly in midterm votes,

when turnout is lighter and dominated by the most extreme voters in both parties. All 435 seats in the Republican-controlled House of Representatives are in play, while 36 of 100 Senate seats will be decided. House members serve two-year terms. Senators are elected for six years. Democrats have little hope of regaining the majority in the House, where Republican domination since 2011 has stalled Obama's legislative agenda. Now

Obama could lose a friendly Senate, with many election forecasters giving the opposition of taking control.

If that happens, Republicans would likely start dismantling the president's biggest legislative accomplishment, the health care law known as Obamacare. Polls show a majority of American voters dislike it, and Obama's personal favorability ratings are low. With Republicans in control of both houses of congress, Obama would only have his veto pen to knock down a Republican bid to undo his most important legislative achievement. In one of the fiercest House Republican primaries, two-term Kansas Rep. Mike Pompeo defeated Todd Tiahrt, who served eight terms in the House and was trying to return to Washington.

Two primaries in Michigan marked a turnabout from several years of widely heralded contests in which candidates have tried — sometimes successfully — to unseat Republican incumbents they perceived as not being conservative enough.

Republican businessman

Dave Trott ousted incumbent Rep. Kerry Bentivolio in a suburban Detroit district. The 53-year-old Trott will face the winner of a four-way Democratic primary in the fall.

Bentivolio did not survive, but two-term Rep. Justin Amash did.

In the 3rd Congressional District, Amash, who has challenged the Republican leadership, defeated Brian Ellis, a 53-year-old businessman. Amash is popular among libertarians for his challenges to the National Security Agency's surveillance of Americans. Michigan voters also were set to nominate candidates who will compete to replace retiring six-term Sen. Carl Levin, a Democrat. Michigan's race is considered competitive in November voting.

Five of Missouri's eight House members easily dispatched their underfunded challengers.

In Washington state, former Washington Redskins football player Clint Didier advanced to a Republican-versus-Republican general election matchup against Dan Newhouse for the seat of Rep. Doc Hastings, who is retiring after 10 terms. □



**This photo provided by Eugene R. Fidell shows Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl preparing to be interviewed by Army investigators in August, 2014.**

**Associated Press**

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**HOUSTON (AP)** — The U.S. Army has begun questioning Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl about his disappearance in Afghanistan that led to five years in captivity by the Taliban, his attorney

and an Army spokeswoman said Wednesday. Bergdahl was questioned at Fort Sam Houston in Texas where he has been staying since returning to the U.S., said his attorney, Eugene R. Fidell. "Sgt. Bergdahl answered

## U.S. Army begins questioning Bowe Bergdahl about capture

all questions put to him. The interview is proceeding. It has been a productive expenditure of time," Fidell said in a telephone interview during a break in the questioning. Fidell declined to comment on what specific questions Bergdahl was asked.

Lt. Col. Alayne Conway, an Army spokeswoman, said Bergdahl was advised of his rights under Article 31 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. Article 31 pertains to individuals being informed of the nature of the accusation against them and says that they do not have to make any statement to investigators. "This in an ongoing investigation; the investigating officer has 60 days from his appointment to conclude

his investigation; however, he can request additional time if he feels it is necessary," Conway said in an emailed statement. She did not respond to an inquiry about what type of questions investigators asked. Maj. Gen. Kenneth R. Dahl, who is heading the probe into the 28-year-old's disappearance, questioned Bergdahl on Wednesday, Fidell said. A well-known lawyer and military justice expert who is currently a visiting lecturer at Yale Law School, Fidell described the setting of Bergdahl's interview as "a comfortable environment," a room with a sofa and a couple of chairs. He said there were four people in the room, the interview was being recorded and that they were

taking breaks throughout the day.

It was not immediately known how long the interview would last. But Fidell said he expected this would be the only interview Bergdahl would be giving as part of the investigation. "There is no reason to think there will be more than one," he said. The Idaho native was freed by the Taliban May 31 in a deal struck by the Obama administration in which five senior Taliban officials were released from detention at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Bergdahl had disappeared from his post in Paktika province in eastern Afghanistan on June 30, 2009. Some ex-members of Bergdahl's former unit have labeled him a deserter. □



## Drug probe after bus driver's NYC crash

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**NEW YORK (AP)** — The driver of a double-decker sightseeing bus may have been high on drugs when his vehicle plowed into a Times Square plaza teeming with hundreds of tourists, shoppers and theater-goers, police said Wednesday.

There was no evidence that William Dalambert, of New Jersey, had been drinking, but he was arrested after he failed a sobriety test, police said. The results of urine and blood tests to determine whether he had used prescription or illegal drugs were pending, they said.

Dalambert was to be arraigned on Wednesday on charges of driving while impaired. The name of his lawyer wasn't immediately available. Dalambert was at the wheel of a Gray Line bus that crashed into another double-decker tourist bus on Tuesday before traveling onto a sidewalk near a TKS discount Broadway ticket booth. The accident sent 14 people to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Dalambert's driving record includes 20 suspensions, though motor vehicle records show all of his privileges had been restored and he has a valid New Jersey license, according to state motor vehicle spokeswoman Sandy Grossman. His record includes license suspensions for non-payment of child support, uncompleted paperwork and fines on top of previous violations for not paying insurance, Grossman said.

There was no immediate response to a phone message left Wednesday with Gray Line. On

Tuesday, a spokesman for Gray Line's parent company said, "Our hopes and prayers are with the injured, and we are cooperating with the authorities."

Manhattan has seen a proliferation of the double-decker buses since 2005, when there were eight bus companies. Now there are 14 bus companies, operating more than 260 buses, but accidents are rare.

On June 18, a woman was struck by a City Sights double-decker tourist bus in Greenwich Village and was seriously injured. □



Police guard the scene of a traffic accident involving two double-decker tour buses in New York City's Theater District, Tuesday Aug. 5, 2014. Associated Press

## NYC inmates in solitary not getting exercise time



In this May 17, 2011, file photo, a bus drives past the entrance to the Rikers Island Correctional facility in New York. Associated Press

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**Associated Press**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — More than 90 percent of New York City jail inmates in solitary confinement aren't getting their legally mandated one hour of daily recreation time outside their cells, according to a report released Wednesday by the city agency that oversees the nation's second-largest jail system.

Many inmates sent to solitary confinement at Rikers Island jail for violating rules go multiple days in a row locked in their cells without access to outdoor recreation cages, the New York City Board of Correction

found.

"This hour of recreation is not a mere pleasure for prisoners," the board wrote. "For individuals who are otherwise confined alone in small, spare cells, this hour of fresh air and sunlight and exposure to other people is essential for their mental and physical health and essential to promoting safety."

The study comes as the board writes new minimum standards to be released in November that will change when and how solitary is used, especially for mentally ill and adolescent inmates.

Each day, about 600 inmates of the

roughly 11,500 that make up the jail system are placed in punitive segregation, a 23-hour lock-in that government lawyers said was essentially the same as solitary confinement.

The oversight board found that access to recreation time, which inmates aren't required to go to, is elusive because guards assigned to escorting inmates frequently fail to notify prisoners in the morning to sign up.

There are also too few recreation guards, and the 32 outdoor cages are empty, devoid of even metal bars that could be used for pull-ups, the report found.

A spokesman for the head of the correction officers' union didn't respond to a request for comment.

A Department of Correction spokesman said Commissioner Joseph Ponte was aware that access to recreation is a problem and said the commissioner, as part of an agenda to reduce violence, had "already begun reviewing plans to improve the provision of recreational services to inmates."

Ponte, who was appointed in March, has vowed to turn around what he has described as a deeply troubled jail system.

The report was based on a survey of inmates in Rikers' largest solitary unit over five months in 2013 as well as a review of 14 randomly selected days of recreation time detailed in logbooks. □



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## U.S. judges weigh 4 states' gay marriage cases

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**CINCINNATI (AP)**

— A federal appeals court judge hearing arguments in a landmark hearing Wednesday on gay marriage fights in four states expressed deep skepticism about whether the courts are the ideal setting for such major change, saying that the best way to win the hearts and minds of Americans on the issue would be the democratic process.

Three judges from the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals heard arguments in six cases from Ohio, Kentucky, Michigan and Tennessee in the biggest such session on the issue so far. The cases pit states' rights and traditional, conservative values against what plaintiffs' attorneys say is a fundamental right to marry under the U.S. Constitution. If the court decides against gay marriage, that would create a divide among federal appeals courts and put pressure on the U.S. Supreme Court to settle the issue for good in its 2015 session. The appeals panel did not indicate when it would rule.

Two federal appeals courts have already ruled in favor of gay marriage. On Tuesday, Utah appealed one of those rulings, asking the U.S. Supreme Court to take up the case and uphold its ban. Oklahoma followed suit a day later.

Since the U.S. Supreme Court struck down part of the Clinton-era federal Defense of Marriage Act last year, gay marriage advocates have won more than 20 victories in federal courts. No decision has gone the other way in that time.

On Wednesday in Cincin-



**Gay marriage supporters follow an opponent of gay marriage driving his truck around Fountain Square, Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014, where several hundred gay marriage supporters held a rally in Cincinnati.**

**Associated Press**

nati, Judge Jeffrey S. Sutton peppered attorneys with the question and said it was strange that the same-sex couples fighting statewide bans weren't showing more patience.

"I would have thought the best way to get respect and dignity is through the democratic process," Sutton said. "Nothing happens as quickly as we'd like it. ... I'm not 100 percent sure it's the better route for the gay rights community."

Another judge on the panel criticized Sutton's argument Wednesday, saying that sometimes courts need to intervene when constitutional rights are being violated.

Judge Martha Craig Daughtrey, a Bill Clinton nominee, pointed out that it took decades for women

to win the right to vote.

"Do you have any knowledge of how many years I'm talking about, going into every state, every city, every state board of elections, for 70 years?" Daughtrey said of women's efforts to get the vote. "It didn't work. It took an amendment to the Constitution."

Sutton, a George W. Bush nominee, is known for being unpredictable, shocking Republicans in 2011 when he became the deciding vote in a 6th Circuit ruling that upheld President Barack Obama's health care law.

The afternoon of arguments opened with Michigan's solicitor general, Aaron Lindstrom, saying that any change in the state's ban on same-sex marriage

should come through the political process.

Fundamental constitutional rights shouldn't be decided in popular votes, countered attorney Carole Stanyar, who represents the plaintiffs in that case.

In Ohio's cases, Cincinnati civil rights attorney Al Gerhardstein said the state's refusal to recognize out-of-state gay marriages violates the dignity of same-sex couples and amounts to unique discrimination, since Ohio has historically recognized marriages in other states that wouldn't be legal in Ohio, such as between cousins or involving minors.

Eric Murphy, Ohio's state solicitor, said Ohio has traditionally defined marriage as between a man and a woman and that same-sex

marriage is too new to be considered a deeply rooted, fundamental right.

Outside the courthouse in nearby Fountain Square, advocates held up banners and signs urging freedom to marry.

About a dozen gay marriage opponents prayed the rosary outside the courthouse.

The 6th Circuit is the first of three federal appeals courts to hear arguments from multiple states in coming weeks. The 7th Circuit in Chicago has similar arguments set for Aug. 26 for bans in Wisconsin and Indiana. The 9th Circuit in San Francisco is set to take up Idaho's and Nevada's bans Sept. 8.

Gay marriage is legal in 19 states and the Washington capital district. □





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## Tsarnaev pal pleads not guilty in drug, gun case

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Associated Press

**BOSTON (AP)** — A friend of Boston Marathon bombing suspect Dzhokhar Tsarnaev pleaded not guilty Wednesday to charges of trafficking heroin and possessing an illegal handgun connected to the April 2013 bombings. Stephen Silva, 21, of Cambridge, appeared in federal court in Boston to waive his right to a detention hearing. He has been in custody since his July arrest. His next court date is Oct. 8. Authorities have said they believe Silva provided Tsarnaev and his brother, Tamerlan, with the gun used to kill Massachusetts Insti-

tute of Technology police officer Sean Collier during the dramatic manhunt following the April 2013 bombings, which killed three people and injured more than 260 others. Silva's grand jury indictment from July does not mention the police officer's slaying or Tsarnaev. Instead, it focuses mostly on allegations that Silva was dealing heroin in the Boston area this summer. It also states Silva received a Ruger pistol with the serial number removed in February 2013. That gun was used to kill Collier on April 18, 2013, as the Tsarnaevs were being sought, according to two people with knowledge of

the case who spoke to The Associated Press on the condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to discuss the investigation. Police have said they recovered the Ruger after a shootout in which Tamerlan was killed. Dzhokhar was found later hiding in a boat in suburban backyard. He faces the possibility of the death penalty if convicted in the bombings. He has pleaded not guilty. Silva, who attended Cambridge Rindge and Latin High School with Dzhokhar, is one of five men connected to the Tsarnaevs who have faced charges in the aftermath of the bombings. If convicted of conspiracy



This Nov. 21, 2013 Massachusetts Bay Transit Police booking photo released Wednesday, July 23, 2014 by the Dorchester District Court in Boston shows Stephen Sergio Silva, after he was arrested and charged with selling marijuana at a Boston train station.

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to distribute heroin, Silva faces a mandatory minimum sentence of five years and a maximum sentence of 40 years, according to prosecutors. If convicted of a possession of a firearm with an obliterated serial number, he faces a maxi-

imum sentence of 5 years. Silva also faces a maximum of 20 years for six other drug-related charges. Silva's family and friends, including his twin brother, Steven, were in court Wednesday but declined to comment. □

## Baboon, zebra among taxidermy zoo seized

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — U.S. customs officers in Los Angeles have seized a vast menagerie of stuffed-and-mounted animals including a wildebeest, a zebra, a gazelle and a baboon. Customs and Border Protection announced and displayed the taxidermy take with an estimated value of nearly \$9,000 on Wednesday. They were seized last month at a port inspection when officers found seven boxes with "animal heads" written on them. A customs statement says a 44-year-old man from the Philippines was touring the U.S. The man says he didn't know the mounts



Confiscated stuffed animals are shown in Carson, Calif., Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014. U.S. Customs and Border Protection announced and displayed the taxidermy take with an estimated value of nearly \$9,000 on Wednesday.

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had to be declared to the federal wildlife officials and required export permits. The baboon, a lynx and a bobcat — all full-bodied

stuffed mounts — required an additional permit under an international endangered species convention. □

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## U.S. study: Split views on robots' employment role

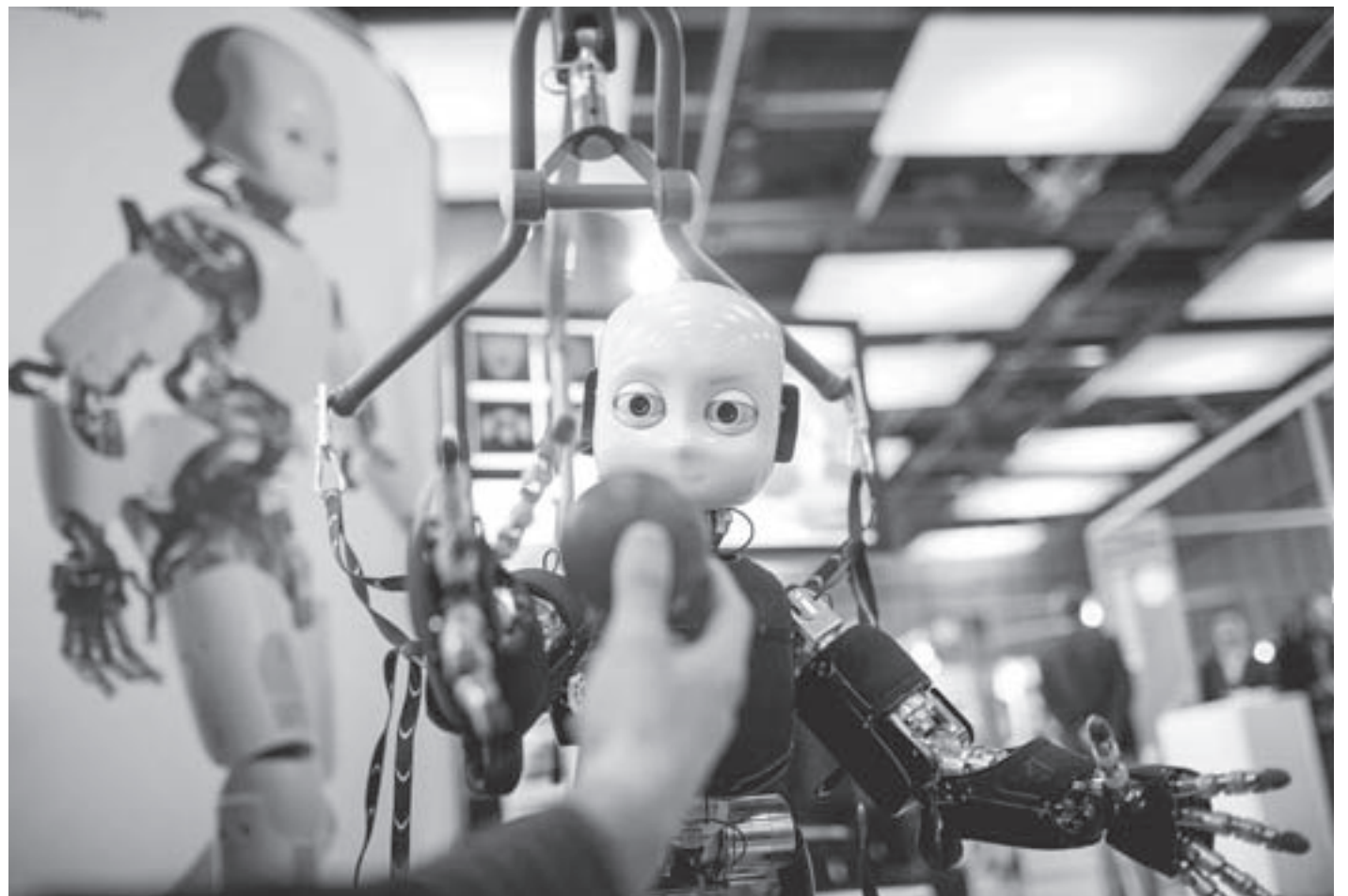
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 Associated Press

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — In 2025, self-driving cars could be the norm, Americans could have more leisure time and goods could become cheaper. Or, there could be chronic unemployment and an even wider income gap, human interaction could become a luxury and the wealthy could live in walled cities with robots serving as labor.

Or, very little could change. A new survey released Wednesday by the Pew Research Center's Internet Project and Elon University's Imagining the Internet Center found that, when asked about the impact of artificial intelligence on jobs, nearly 1,900 experts and other respondents were divided over what to expect 11 years from now. Forty-eight percent said robots would kill more jobs than they create, and 52 percent said technology will create more jobs than it destroys.

Respondents also varied widely when asked to elaborate on their expectations of jobs in the next decade. Some said that self-driving cars would be common, eliminating taxi cab and long-haul truck drivers. Some said that we should expect the wealthy to live in seclusion, using robot labor. Others were more conservative, cautioning that technology never moves quite as fast as people expect and humans aren't so easily replaceable.

"We consistently underestimate the intelligence and complexity of human beings," said Jonathan Grudin, principal researcher at Microsoft, who recalls that 40 years ago, people said that advances in computer-coding language were going to kill programming jobs. Even as technology removed jobs such as secretaries and operators, it created brand new jobs, including Web marketing, Grudin said. And, as Grudin and other survey responders noted, 11 years isn't



**This March 19, 2013, file photo shows the iCub robot trying to catch a ball during the Innorobo European summit, an event dedicated to the service robotics industry, in Lyon, central France. The iCub robot, created by the Italian Institute of Technology, is used for research into human cognition and artificial intelligence.** Associated Press

much time for significant changes to take place, anyway. Aaron Smith, senior researcher with the Pew Research Center's Internet Project, said the results were unusually divided. He noted that in similar Pew surveys about the Internet over the past 12 years, there tended to be general consensus among the respondents, which included research scientists and a range of others, from business leaders to journalists. Respondents in this latest survey generally agreed that the education system is failing to teach the skills that students need for the future. Smith said some survey respondents criticized the system for promoting memorization of tasks rather than creativity, teaching a "Henry Ford education for a Mark Zuckerberg economy." Also, Smith said, some respondents

concluded that jobs that don't require specifically human traits — such as empathy, ingenuity or resourcefulness — are at risk for being replaced, including low-skill blue collar jobs or even white-collar jobs that have people performing repetitive tasks. Respondents offered a few theories about what might happen if artificial intelligence takes over some positions and fewer jobs are created. Judith Donath, a fellow at Harvard's Berkman Center for Internet and Society, foresees chronic mass unemployment with the wealthy living in "walled cities, with robots providing the labor." Some respondents see people returning to small-scale, handmade production, and an appreciation would grow for products with the "human touch." Others thought people could also face abundant

leisure, allowing them to pursue their personal interests. Stowe Boyd, lead analyst on the future of work at Gigaom Research, said if, as he predicts, widespread joblessness comes to pass, humanity would have to confront its deeper purpose. "The fundamental question lurking behind all of this is 'what are people for?'" Boyd said. For this survey, Pew posed closed- and open-ended questions to technology experts — researchers, futurist and tech developers — and other interested parties, including writers and business leaders, about how far they expect robots and artificial intelligence to grow, and what the impact will be on jobs by 2025. The study was not representative of a particular group of experts, only of those who chose to respond. □



# Report: Russia to block U.S. agricultural imports

JIM HEINTZ

Associated Press

**MOSCOW (AP)** — Russian President Vladimir Putin on Wednesday hit back hard against countries that have imposed sanctions over the Ukraine crisis, ordering trade cuts that an official said would include a ban on all imports of agricultural products from the United States.

The full list of products to be banned or limited for up to one year is to be published Thursday. But the state news agency RIA Novosti quoted Alexei Alexeenko of Russia's plant and veterinary oversight service as saying "from the USA, all products that are produced there and brought to Russia will be prohibited."

Alexeenko also was quoted as saying he thinks all fruits and vegetables from European Union countries will also be banned.

The move follows the latest round of sanctions against Russia imposed by the EU last week, which for the first time targeted entire sectors of the Russian economy.

President Barack Obama said in a news conference Wednesday that U.S. sanctions against Russia over its actions in Ukraine are straining the Russian economy, which has "ground to a halt."

The U.S. and the EU have accused Russia, which annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in March, of fomenting tensions in eastern Ukraine by supplying arms and expertise to a pro-Moscow insurgency, and have imposed asset freezes and loan bans on a score of individuals and companies.

White House spokeswoman Laura Lucas Magnuson decried the move, saying "Retaliating against Western companies or countries will deepen Russia's international isolation, causing further damage to its own economy."

Russia depends heavily on imported foodstuffs — most of it from the West — particularly in the largest

and most prosperous cities such as Moscow. Food and agricultural imports from the U.S. amounted to \$1.3 billion last year, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and in 2013 the EU's agricultural exports to Russia totaled 11.8 billion euros (\$15.8 billion).

Putin's order says the limits are being imposed "with the goal of guaranteeing the security of the Russian Federation" and calls for undertaking measures to guard against quick price hikes.

The order appears to show that Russia, although increasingly suffering the effects of Western sanctions, is disinclined to back down on Ukraine. Russia denies allegations that it is supporting the Ukrainian rebels or supplying them with equipment and has rejected claims that its artillery has been firing from across the border.

As tensions over Ukraine



Russian President Vladimir Putin attends a meeting with local officials in Voronezh, Russia, Tuesday, Aug. 5, 2014.

Associated Press

rise, a respected newspaper this week cited unnamed sources as saying Russia is considering closing its airspace to European carriers flying to Asia. The report sent the stocks of some airlines sharply lower. Russian Foreign Minister Ser-

gey Lavrov on Wednesday said he wouldn't comment on "rumors" of airspace being closed, but said "our Western partners should think about their companies and their citizens," the Interfax news agency reported.

Russia last week banned the import of apples and some other fruits from Poland, saying this was because of sanitary concerns, but raising speculation that the move was in retaliation for Poland's support of the Ukrainian authorities. □

## Dutch premier halts search for Ukraine crash victims



Dutch Prime Minister Mark Rutte, right, speaks as Malaysian Prime Minister Najib Razak, left, looks on, during a press conference following their meeting in The Hague, Netherlands, Thursday, July 31, 2014.

Associated Press

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Associated Press

**AMSTERDAM (AP)** — The Netherlands' prime minister has halted the search for remains of victims of the Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 disaster in Ukraine, saying it is too dangerous to continue.

At a news conference in The Hague Wednesday, Mark Rutte praised the effort of the international recovery mission so far, and promised victims' families the search will resume in the future when Ukraine is "more stable."

"We're stopping now, but

we won't stop," he said. Flight 17 was shot down in eastern Ukraine on July 17, killing all 298 people on board. In all, 228 coffins with remains have been returned to the Netherlands, but it is not known how many victims that number represents.

Rutte said that now that the international recovery team has been able to access the site and communicate with local authorities, it has learned the recovery effort undertaken by local authorities immediately after the crash was more thorough than initially thought.

The international team of Dutch, Australian and Malaysian recovery workers was unable to reach the site until July 31 because of fighting in the area between Ukrainian forces and pro-Russia separatist rebels. Since then, it has found remains of only a few victims, despite expectations

it might find as many as 80. Rutte said that it now appears "fortunately that more was done after the disaster than we thought until now."

Local Ukrainian authorities carried out "an intensive search in the area with 800 volunteers, and there were many bodies recovered in those (first) days," he said. Those remains are being identified in the Netherlands.

A separate investigation into the cause of the crash is continuing, Rutte said.

Earlier Wednesday, a spokesman for the Dutch Safety Board, which is overseeing that investigation, said preliminary findings due Aug. 17 won't be ready until several weeks after that date. Wim van der Weegen said in a telephone interview that is in part because of the difficulty investigators have had in reaching the crash site. □



## Nearly 5M sign up for changing Myanmar charter



Protesters hold placards and shout slogans as they protest against proportional representation (PR) system in parliament, Tuesday, Aug. 5, 2014, in Yangon, Myanmar.

Associated Press

### YANGON, Myanmar (AP)

— The party of opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi had collected nearly 5 million signatures in support of changing Myanmar's military-drafted constitution and challenging the military's dominance in parliament. An article in the 2008 constitution requires 75 percent parliamentary approval to amend major chapters of the charter, but with the military occupying 25 percent of the seats, any major constitutional change will be a hurdle. Another clause prevents Suu Kyi from becoming president. Her party's campaign to change the article requiring the 75 percent approval garnered 4,941,998 signatures from May 27 to July 19. National League for Democracy party spokesman U Nyan Win said Wednesday the campaign for signatures was successful despite pressure and intimidation by

authorities to those who signed, as well as difficult access to villages in the rainy season.

"Being able to garner nearly 5 million signatures was a success. Even some government servants and soldiers participated in the campaign," Nyan Win said at a news conference at the party's headquarters. Suu Kyi said that the current constitution needs to be amended to meet democratic norms and that the constitution amendment is essential for a free and fair 2015 election.

The Nobel peace laureate called for a meeting with President Thein Sein, commander in chief, parliament speaker Thura Shwe Mann to discuss constitution amendment, but all parties have shown little interest in the process.

Prominent student activist Ko Ko Gyi said the campaign was "the first step toward charter amend-

ment" and hoped "the parliament will take into consideration the aspirations of five million people." The party will submit the list of signatures to parliament. Most members of the committee tasked with amendments belong to the military-allied party so it is unclear how the NLD's campaign will succeed. □

## Bone fragments found on shipwrecked Costa Concordia



The wreck of the Costa Concordia cruise ship is towed by tugboats towards Genoa's harbor, Italy, Sunday, July 27, 2014. Associated Press

**ROME (AP)** — Italian authorities say they found bone fragments during a search of the shipwrecked Costa Concordia when the ship was brought to port for scrapping.

Italy's civil protection agency said Wednesday it's not clear if the remains belong to the one person still unaccounted for from the disaster: Indian waiter Russel Rebello.

Rebello was one of 32 people who died when the

Concordia struck a reef off Tuscany and capsized Jan. 13, 2012. The search for his remains resumed after the Concordia was towed last month to Genoa's port where it will be taken apart.

Civil protection officials said the fragments might also belong to Italian passenger Maria Grazia Tre-carichi, whose partial, mutilated remains were recovered a few months ago. □

## Four police officers in Brazil face rape charges

### RIO DE JANEIRO (AP)

— Four Brazilian police officers are under arrest for allegedly raping three women in Rio de Janeiro's Jacarezinho slum.

Rio state police internal affairs chief Sidney Camargo told the O Globo TV network that the officers were arrested

on Wednesday after the three rape victims identified them.

He says the four men face prosecution and expulsion from the police force.

Camargo says the state police force is "outraged," and says it "will take all the necessary steps to see justice

done."

The four officers were stationed in one of Rio's many police pacification units created to rid the city's slums of drug traffickers and other organized crime gangs ahead of the recently concluded World Cup and the Olympics in 2016. □



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## UN: Violence puts South Sudan close to catastrophe

TRENTON DANIEL

Associated Press

**UNITED NATIONS (AP)** — A top U.N. official on Wednesday told the Security Council that a fresh wave of violence in South Sudan is dragging the world's youngest country closer to a "humanitarian catastrophe."

Edmond Mulet, the U.N. assistant secretary-general for peacekeeping operations, warned council members that the militia violence in South Sudan has displaced more than a million people. Almost 500,000 more have fled across borders.

The widespread displacement has been compounded by hunger and food problems. Almost 4 million people are at risk of going hungry amid "growing concerns of a famine," Mulet said. Up to 50,000 children are at risk of dying of acute malnutrition this year alone. A cholera epidemic worsens, with 5,300 cases and 115 deaths, Mulet added.

"After three years of independence, South Sudan is on the brink of a humanitarian catastrophe and a protracted internal conflict," Mulet said. "This is a man-made crisis, and those responsible for it have been slow in resolving it." The Security Council plans to visit South Sudan next week.

South Sudan Ambassador Joseph Moum Malok said his government was committed to reaching a "final settlement for the conflict through negotiation" but that it has also been "forced to react in self-defense to protect its citizens."



South Sudan's President Salva Kiir waves upon arrival for a dinner hosted by President Barack Obama for the U.S. Africa Leaders Summit, Tuesday, Aug. 5, 2014. African heads of state are gathering in Washington for an unprecedented summit to promote business development.

Associated Press

Peace talks between South Sudan's government and rebel fighters in Ethiopia were restarted on Monday, but they have yet to yield any breakthroughs following fresh clashes along the South Sudan-Sudan border. Some believe the violence threatens to pull Sudan and its rebel groups into South Sudan's civil war.

A militia hunting the Nuer ethnic group has been blamed for the deaths of at least six South Sudanese aid workers in recent days, which was condemned in a statement by the U.S. State Department on Wednesday. All of the mur-

dered aid workers are members of the Nuer, to which former vice president and current rebel leader Riek Machar belongs.

Fighting broke out in December after President Salva Kiir, an ethnic Dinka, accused Machar of trying to oust him in a coup. That sparked months of ethnic attacks and failed cease-fires.

In an effort to stop the violence, a massive humanitarian effort has begun to take root, Mulet said.

Armored personnel carriers are en route to Bunj, the epicenter of the violence, to protect U.N. personnel, aid workers and civilians inside

U.N. facilities. More than 3,500 U.N. troops, out of an authorized total of 5,500, have been deployed. An infantry battalion, military helicopters and additional aircraft are expected to follow by October. Four police units will reach South Sudan in some six months.

"The scale of humanitarian operations in South Sudan has reached the point that it now constitutes the biggest aid operation in any single country," Mulet said.

South Sudan is a largely Christian nation that broke off from the Muslim-dominated Sudan after a 2011 referendum. □

## Nepal ends landslide search, counts 156 as dead

KATMANDU, Nepal (AP)

— Nepal on Wednesday ended its search for bodies buried in a massive landslide over the weekend after recovering few of the 156 victims. "We will not look for any more bodies, instead we will be focusing on helping those people who lost their homes and belongings but survived," said Gopal Parajuli, the

chief government administrator in the area. All 156 people on the official list are being declared dead. Only 33 bodies have been recovered. The families of the each of those killed would be given 40,000 rupees (\$410) as immediate relief, he said. The landslide Saturday morning crushed dozens of houses in the village of Mankha, about

120 kilometers (75 miles) east of Katmandu, Nepal's capital. The landslide also blocked a mountain river, causing it to back up and form a lake that was threatening to burst and sweep away several villages. Army engineers used explosives Wednesday to widen the channel where was flowing out of the lake. Villagers in the south have

been warned to move to higher grounds in case of flash flood.

Police and soldiers were also attempting to clear Arniko highway, a route that connects Katmandu with northern districts and the border with China. Villagers and tourists have been stranded on the other side since the landslide. Indian pilgrims and a few

Western tourists coming in from China have used charter helicopters to fly to Katmandu.

Trucks bringing Chinese goods into Nepal have also been stopped since the weekend.

Landslides are common in the Himalayan nation during the rainy season, which runs from June through September. □



# Nigeria rushes to get isolation tents for Ebola

**MARAM MAZAN  
KRISTA LARSON**  
Associated Press

**LAGOS, Nigeria (AP)** — Nigerian authorities rushed to obtain isolation tents Wednesday in anticipation of more Ebola infections as they disclosed five more cases of the virus and a death in Africa's most populous nation, where officials were racing to keep the gruesome disease confined to a small group of patients.

The five new Nigerian cases were all in Lagos, a megacity of 21 million people in a country already beset with poor health care infrastructure and widespread corruption, and all five were reported to have had direct contact with one infected man.

Meanwhile, the World Health Organization began a meeting to decide whether the crisis, the worst recorded outbreak of its kind, amounts to an international public health emergency. At least 932 deaths in four countries have been blamed on the illness, with 1,711 reported cases. In recent years, the WHO has declared an emergency only twice, for swine flu in 2009 and polio in May. The declaration would probably come with recommendations on travel and trade restrictions and wider Ebola screening. It also would be an acknowledgment that



**Nigerian port health official uses a thermometer on a passenger at the arrivals hall of Murtala Muhammed International Airport in Lagos, Nigeria, Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014.**

Associated Press

the situation is critical and could worsen without a fast global response.

The group did not immediately confirm the new cases reported in Nigeria. And Nigerian authorities did not release any details on the latest infections, except to say they all had come into direct contact with the sick man who arrived by plane in Lagos late last month.

In Sierra Leone, some 750 soldiers deployed to the Ebola-ravaged east as part of "Operation Octopus," aimed at enforcing quarantines of sick patients. In Spain, the Defense Ministry said a medically equipped plane was ready to fly to Liberia to bring back a Spanish missionary priest who

has Ebola.

At the same time, Saudi officials reported a suspected Ebola death, underscoring the risk of the disease spreading by air travel even as many airlines curtail their flights to the most infected cities.

Ebola, which causes some victims to bleed from the eyes, mouth and ears, can only be transmitted through direct contact with the bodily fluids of someone who is sick — blood, semen, saliva, urine, feces or sweat. Millions in Lagos live in cramped conditions without access to flushable toilets. Signs posted across the city warn people not to urinate in public.

Kenneth Akihomi, a

47-year-old worker installing fiber-optic cable, said he was carefully washing his hands to avoid infection. But he said most people were relying on faith to stay healthy.

"They're not panicking. They are godly people," he said. "They believe they can pray, and maybe very soon there will be cure."

The revelation of more infections also came amid a public-sector doctors' strike in Nigeria that began in early July. So far, health workers monitoring the latest Ebola patients are still on the job.

Nigeria is the fourth West African country to be hit by the Ebola outbreak since it first emerged in March

in the remote tropical forests of Guinea. The disease then spread to neighboring Sierra Leone and Liberia before reaching Nigeria, where it surfaced shortly before the government drew criticism for its response to the abduction of more than 200 schoolgirls by Islamic militants back in April. The girls are still missing.

Nigerian authorities said Tuesday that doctors did not suspect Patrick Sawyer was suffering from Ebola when the 40-year-old Liberian-American arrived by plane late last month in Lagos, where the streets are a bewildering mix of wealth and abject poverty, awash in luxury SUVs and decrepit buses.

Sawyer, who worked for the Liberian government in Monrovia and had a wife and three young daughters in Minnesota, was on a business flight to Nigeria when he fell ill. Officials say a nurse who treated him has died and five others are sick with Ebola, including a doctor involved in his care. West African countries pledged at a meeting in July to step up their surveillance at airports and borders following the start of the outbreak. But the early symptoms of Ebola — fever, muscle aches and vomiting — are similar to much more common tropical diseases such as malaria. □

## Family: Pistorius' brother in intensive care

**PRETORIA, South Africa (AP)** — Oscar Pistorius' older brother Carl remains in an intensive care unit in a South African hospital and is on a ventilator after a serious car crash last week, the brothers' family said Wednesday. The Pistorius family said in a statement that Carl Pistorius was still in ICU at the hospital in the capital Pretoria "due to the serious nature of the injuries sustained in the accident."

"He is stable and showing signs of improvement," the family said in a brief update without giving details of his injuries. The family said previously that Carl was "out of danger."

Carl reportedly sustained multiple fractures in a head-on collision on a highway in northern South Africa as he returned from a business trip on Friday night. His uncle, Arnold Pistorius, said last week that a car

swerved onto the wrong side of the highway and hit Carl's vehicle head-on in the crash.

Oscar Pistorius is due to return to a Pretoria courthouse on Thursday for the start of final arguments in his murder trial for shooting to death his girlfriend Reeva Steenkamp last year.

The double-amputee Olympic runner has been on trial since March 3 and his older brother Carl and



**In this Tuesday May 20, 2014 file photo brother of murder accused, Oscar Pistorius, left, Carl Pistorius, right, speaks with his brother in court in Pretoria, South Africa.**

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younger sister Aimee have regularly been at his side during court proceedings.

Oscar Pistorius is charged with premeditated murder for killing Steenkamp. □





## Aruba Tourism Authority recognizes the Ardis family for their great contribution to Aruba

Recently the Aruba Tourism Authority had the great pleasure of honoring a very special young lady as Ambassador of Goodwill, the honoree was Ms. Aubrey Ardis from Wood-Ridge New Jersey, and at the same time present her father Mr. David Ardis and uncle Mr. Rick Ardis with a commemorative award in the memory of their late mother Mrs. Philomena Ardis, better known in the travel industry as Maisie. Maisie first visited Aruba in July 1979 staying at the Concorde for a week. Shortly after that visit she



ba Certified Expert (ACE) Agents. Since she annually visited the timeshare, escorted groups and took the occasional fam-trip, Maisie often visited Aruba 3 times per year. Aruba Tourism Authority believes she had been in Aruba between 75 and 100 times, and sent several thousand visitors from Ardis Travel. Philomena "Maisie" Ardis passed away on December 12, 2013 after a 5 year battle with cancer. The Aruba Tourism Authority represented by Ms.



began bringing groups to Aruba, first at the Aruba Palm Beach Hotel, then to the Wyndham/Westin. Ardis Travel would often have the option of staying for one or two weeks. Maisie would include breakfast at the hotel and dinners at a variety of restaurants including; Gi-

anni's, Sole Mare, Azzurro, The French Steakhouse, Red Parrot, Chalet Suisse, Twinklebone's, Buccaneer and the former Talk of the Town Restaurant. The groups generally numbered about 50 travelers, but exceeded 75 or 100 on a few occasions.

She purchased three weeks of timeshare at the Renaissance while under construction as Harbortown. Her grandchildren Aubrey and Andrew began visiting Aruba in 1994 when Aubrey was 6 months old and Andrew was about to turn 2 years.



In 2004 they received their 10 year awards when Aubrey was 9½ being the youngest person ever to be honored. Maisie and Rick were amongst the first travel agents to become Aru-

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- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) recognized Hyatt for its hiring of African-American associates
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# Jeff Abbott performing at The Sopranos Piano Bar Aruba

## Jeff Abbott

Jeff Abbott has returned to Aruba to perform at The Sopranos Piano Bar at Arawak Gardens, J.E. Irausquin 368, where he'll be performing through the end of August.

Jeff is a high energy, pop/rock entertainer who has been performing for several years at many of the USA, Europe and the Caribbean's premier piano bars. His aggressive performance style and dynamic personality make him a crowd favorite wherever he performs. His command of the keyboard and unique use of the keytar has earned him a unique niche on the international piano

bar circuit.

Ernie Rideout, Senior Editor of Keyboard magazine writes, "Once you get past your astonishment at how great a keyboardist Jeff is, once you get past how he sounds like a really, really good guitarist, and once you put your amazement at his incredible vocal prowess behind you, then you can relax and wonder at how so much fantastic music can come from just one person." And Pat Reid of RHYTHM Magazine adds, "Jeff's vocal is a cross between Luther Vandross and a male Anita Baker."

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Andy Murray of Great Britain returns the ball against Nick Kyrgios of Australia during a men's third round match at the Rogers Cup tennis tournament in Toronto on Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014.

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## Djokovic, Murray advance in Toronto

**TORONTO (AP)** — Top-ranked Novak Djokovic edged Gael Monfils 6-2, 6-7 (4), 7-6 (2) on Wednesday in the second round of the Rogers Cup.

After a lopsided tiebreaker, Djokovic fist-pumped and yelled at the end of the match that lasted 2 hours, 40 minutes.

Monfils pulled out all the stops by hitting a between-the-legs shot and throwing his racket to hit the ball, and each player tried to ignite the crowd to get louder.

"He's probably the only guy in the world, tennis player, that I would pay a ticket to watch the match," Djokovic said of Monfils. "He's really fun to watch but not so much fun to play against. ... He loves jumping around, sliding, he's very unpredictable. You don't know what his next move is, so that's why he's so interesting."

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# TEEING OFF



## Woods to play in PGA Championship

Tiger Woods hits a chip on the fifth hole during a practice round for the PGA Championship golf tournament at Valhalla Golf Club on Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014, in Louisville, Ky. The tournament is set to begin on Thursday

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# Caroline Wozniacki advances in Montreal

**MONTREAL (AP)** — Caroline Wozniacki breezed through her second match in a row with a 6-1, 6-2 victory over Klara Koukalova on Wednesday to reach the third round of the Rogers Cup.

If the fans had their wish, Wozniacki would be facing local favorite Eugenie Bouchard on Thursday. Instead, the former world No. 1 from Denmark will play American qualifier Shelby Rogers, who put a quick end to Bouchard's homecoming tournament in the second round.

"It's my favorite surface," said Wozniacki, who has lost only five games in two matches at the hard-court event. "I've been playing pretty well lately."

"Montreal has always been a good place for me, winning here a few years ago (2010). I'm feeling good and hopefully I can keep going."

Wozniacki is coming off her first win of the season at the Istanbul Cup, where she dropped only two games while beating Roberta Vinci in the final.

In the night feature, top-ranked Serena Williams dispatched Samantha Stosur 6-0, 6-2 in a match interrupted 28 minutes by a sprinkle of rain. Williams is coming off a victory Sunday in Stanford, California — her fourth victory of the season.

Williams needed only 59 minutes of playing time to beat Stosur. The American set up a match against 15th-seeded Lucie Safarova, a 6-4, 6-2 winner over Magdalena Rybarikova. Williams is 6-0 against Safarova.

"She is an interesting player," Williams said. "She's extremely tricky. We've had some tough matches. I know we've gone to three sets on occasions. It's definitely not an easy match for me."

Williams has won the Rogers Cup three times when it is held on alternate years in Toronto, including last year, but she has not played in Montreal since she retired from the final with an injury in 2000.

"I'm really happy to be a part of the tournament this year. It's just really cool," she said. "I've actually been studying French for most of my life, so yeah, I should be able to speak even better, to be honest. I love it in Canada because I understand everything. It's a lot easier for me to speak. The accent is much easier for me to understand."

Now ranked 13th, Wozniacki will face Rogers, who played the spoiler as Bouchard battled rust and her nerves Tuesday night.



**Petra Kvitová, of the Czech Republic, returns to Casey Dellacqua, of Australia, at the Rogers Cup tennis tournament Wednesday Aug. 6, 2014 in Montreal.**

**Associated Press**

"I know how she looks like, but I don't know much about her game," Wozniacki said. "I will definitely have my team tell me how she plays."

It promises to be a quieter match than if it was Bouchard, who had the packed center court solidly behind her, as well as her Genie Army fan group in from Australia. "I don't really care, to be honest," Wozniacki said. "Obviously, Rogers must have played really well to beat Genie. With the whole crowd, as well, for Genie, you know it wasn't easy. But for me, it's a new match. It doesn't matter who's on the other side."

If she keeps winning, it may draw attention back to her tennis game and away from her famous split in May with golfer Rory McIlroy.

Both players seem to be doing better since then, with McIlroy fol-

lowing his British Open title with a win at last week's Bridgestone Invitational.

"I've moved on. I hope everyone else has moved on, too," said Wozniacki, who will run the New York Marathon in November, when the wedding was to have been.

Top-seeded Serena Williams opened play in a night match against Samantha Stosur.

In a center-court match, fourth-seeded Maria Sharapova survived a rough first set to down Garbine Muguruza 4-6, 6-3, 6-1.

"I was happy that I was able to turn it around," Sharapova said. "I didn't feel good. I made a lot of errors in the first set. When you're able to finish stronger than your start, that's always a positive because you give yourself an opportunity to keep playing in the tournament." Her next opponent is

14th-seeded Carla Suarez Navarro, who got past lucky loser Karolina Pliskova 6-1, 3-6, 6-3.

British qualifier Heather Watson upset 10th-seeded Dominika Cibulkova 6-2, 6-7 (3), 7-6 (5). Watson let a 5-2 lead slip away in the third set before rallying for the victory.

The 22-year-old will face eighth-seeded Victoria Azarenka in the third round.

Watson won two qualifying matches over the weekend before downing Tereza Smitkova in the first round. Cibulkova was coming off a first-round win over 17-year-old Francoise Abanda of Montreal.

Angelique Kerber, seeded sixth, beat Caroline Garcia 6-4, 6-1. The two faced one another in Madrid in May, with Garcia winning when Kerber retired in the second set with a back injury. □



# Woods ready to play in the PGA Championship

DOUG FERGUSON

AP Golf Writer

LOUISVILLE, Kentucky (AP) —

Barely able to tie his shoes three days ago, Tiger Woods is ready to play in the PGA Championship.

Woods caused the biggest sensation of the week Wednesday afternoon simply by driving his silver SUV into the parking lot at Valhalla. He has never arrived so late for a major championship and had so little time to prepare — just nine holes at Valhalla, which he had not seen since winning the PGA Championship in 2000. But at least he's playing.

That much was in doubt Sunday when he withdrew from the final round of the Bridgestone Invitational because of back pain that made it a chore to switch out of his golf shoes. Woods said he suffered a pinched nerve, but that it was not at all related to back surgery he had March 31 that kept him out of golf for three months. He said his trainer adjusted the area above the sacrum. "Once he put it back in, the spasms went away," he said. "And from there, I started getting some range

of motion."

The latest injury occurred when Woods tried to play a shot from just above a deep bunker on the second hole at Firestone, and his momentum caused him to land hard in the sand. He kept playing, and hit some horrific shots before deciding to withdraw after a tee shot on the ninth hole.

That was only his third tournament since his return from surgery, leading to concern that he might be done for the year.

"It was a different pain than what I had been experiencing," Woods said. "So I knew it wasn't the site of the surgery. It was different and obviously it just the sacrum."

His arrival put some life into what had been an ordinary week. Dozens of cameras captured Woods putting on his shoes with ease at his car. He got a big cheer just walking onto the practice range and the crowd was six-deep down the first hole, about like it was for the Ryder Cup at Valhalla six years ago.

In the nine holes he played with Steve Stricker, Davis Love III and Harris English, Woods looked the same as



Tiger Woods stands on the first tee during a practice round for the PGA Championship golf tournament at Valhalla Golf Club on Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014, in Louisville, Ky. Associated Press

he did last week.

He drilled his driver down the first fairway. He badly pulled his tee shot on the third hole. It was a mixture of good and bad, about what can be expected from someone who has played only nine rounds in the last five months.

"Nothing great," Woods said. "It's only Wednesday." Woods tees off Thursday alongside Phil Mickelson and Padraig Harrington. He simply said, "Yes," when asked if he expected to win, which seemed to be a tall order considering his return from surgery. Woods missed the cut by four shots at the Quicken Loans National, had his worst 72-hole finish in a major at the British Open

and was in the middle of the pack at Firestone when he withdrew.

Barring a victory, this likely will be his last tournament for at least six weeks.

Woods is not eligible for the FedEx Cup playoffs, and he hasn't given U.S. captain Tom Watson much reason to pick him for the Ryder Cup. Woods said he would have to "play well" to give reason for Watson to take him.

"That's the only thing I can control," Woods said. "Try to go out there and win this event. That's all I'm focused on."

Watson has said he wanted Woods on the team if he was healthy and playing well. About the time Woods ar-

rived at the course, Watson was successfully dodging questions about his chances of making the team.

"It's speculation what's going to happen," Watson said. "I can't tell you what's going to happen with Tiger." The excitement over his arrival was sure to be tempered by the reality of the task ahead. Not only has Woods gone more than a year without winning — and six years since he last won a major — Rory McIlroy has replaced him as the overwhelming favorite. McIlroy led from start to finish at the British Open, and then rallied from a three-shot deficit to win the World Golf Championship at Firestone. □

## Lewis, Wie recharged for Michigan event

BELMONT, Michigan (AP)

— Stacy Lewis and Michelle Wie are recharged for the LPGA Tour's return to Michigan this week with the Meijer LPGA Classic.

"One week I just took completely off," said Wie, the U.S. Women's Open champion who last played July 20 in the Marathon Classic. "I was a bit tired I think mentally and it was good just to put the clubs in the closet for a whole week. And I went to my friend's wedding and this past week it was back to the grind. I got some really good work in, good workouts, some good practices, so I feel ready this week."

The event is the tour's first

in Michigan since the 2000 Oldsmobile Classic in East Lansing. Play begins Thursday at Blythefield Country Club.

"The course is in perfect shape," Wie said about the Grand Rapids-area layout. "It's absolutely phenomenal how good this golf course is condition-wise and the layout is a lot of fun as well."

The top-ranked Lewis had a week off after the International Crown in Maryland.

"The week off was very necessary," Lewis said. "The last three events I played in, I've been running on fumes. I've had a pretty long couple of months here and I needed

a week off, I needed some time.

"The game kind of got off track and I think it was just a little bit of being tired and just not having the energy to prepare the way I needed to. So, it's been good to have been able to practice and kind of get things going in the right direction."

The tournament begins a big three-week stretch in the schedule. The LPGA Championship — the fourth major of the year, is next week in Pittsford, New York, followed by the Canadian Women's Open in London, Ontario.

Lydia Ko is coming off a victory in the Marathon Classic in Sylvania, Ohio.



In this June 22, 2014, file photo, Michelle Wie, left, is embraced by runner-up Stacy Lewis after winning the U.S. Women's Open golf tournament in Pinehurst, N.C.

Associated Press

The 17-year-old Ko has two victories this year.

Third-ranked No. 3 Inbee Park also is in the field along

with No. 4 Suzann Pettersen, No. 5 Lexi Thompson and Women's British Open winner Mo Martin. □



## AL Capsules

# Bizarre play helps Reds, Cueto wins 13th

The Associated Press

**CLEVELAND (AP)** — Johnny Cueto threw his fourth complete game of the season as the Cincinnati Reds, aided by a bizarre play in which a Cleveland runner was fooled by a second ball on the field, defeated the Indians 9-2 on Tuesday night.

The Indians, trying to mount a comeback in the seventh, had a rally squelched after an errant warmup pitch from Cincinnati's bullpen came on the field.

Yan Gomes' double cut the lead to 6-2 and moved David Murphy to third as a ball thrown by reliever Jumbo Diaz rolled behind second base. Murphy mistakenly thought that ball was live and edged off third. He was tagged out after the ball that was in play was thrown to Santiago.

Cincinnati broke a 10-game losing streak at Cleveland.

Cueto (13-6), who hasn't lost since July 2, allowed two runs in winning his fifth straight decision.



**Cleveland Indians right fielder David Murphy can't catch a triple by Cincinnati Reds' Kris Negron to drive in two runs in the ninth inning of a baseball game Tuesday, Aug. 5, 2014, in Cleveland. Cincinnati won 9-2.**

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Ramon Santiago hit a three-run homer in the second off Josh Tomlin (5-8) to break a 1-all tie for his first home run since Aug. 16 last season.

ORIOLES 9, BLUE JAYS 3

**TORONTO (AP)** — Chris Davis homered and Caleb Joseph and Jonathan

Schoop added back-to-back shots as Baltimore topped Toronto.

Davis, Nelson Cruz and J.J. Hardy all had two RBIs, and the Orioles won their third straight game, each in a different city. Baltimore beat Seattle at home on Sunday and won at Wash-

ington on Monday in a makeup game.

Bud Norris (9-7) pitched 5 1-3 innings to win for the first time in three starts as the AL East-leading Orioles moved five games ahead of second-place Toronto, which lost its fourth straight. Toronto starter Mark Bueh-

ler (11-8) lost for the seventh time in 11 starts. He allowed four runs and 10 hits in four innings.

**TIGERS 4, YANKEES 3, 12 innings**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — David Price struck out 10 in his Detroit debut and was long gone when Alex Avila homered in the 12th inning to lift the Tigers over the New York Yankees.

Price pitched 8 2-3 innings and left with the score 3-all. He leads the majors in strikeouts (199) and innings (179 1-3).

Avila homered with one out off Matt Daley (0-1).

Joakim Soria (2-4) got the win, and Joe Nathan earned his 23rd save in 28 tries.

This was the Yankees' 16th straight game decided by two or fewer runs, and they are 9-7 in that span. It is the longest such streak in the majors since a 16-game stretch by Baltimore in 1975, the team said in citing the Elias Sports Bureau. Brian McCann and Martin Prado hit solo home runs for the Yankees, who had won three in a row. □



**New York Mets starting pitcher Zack Wheeler delivers to the Washington Nationals during the fifth inning of a baseball game, Tuesday, Aug. 5, 2014, in Washington.**

Associated Press

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Zack Wheeler allowed one run in 6 2-3 innings to win his fourth consecutive decision, and Daniel Murphy's two-run single helped the New York Mets beat NL East-leading Washington.

Wheeler (7-8) gave up seven hits and allowed a run on a wild pitch. He is 4-0 with a 1.59 ERA in seven appearances since June 30.

In the second and third, Washington accumulated three hits and four walks off Wheeler but scored only once.

The Mets scored a run in each of the first two innings off Gio Gonzalez (6-8), with David Wright and Wheeler delivering RBI singles. In all, Gonzalez was charged with four runs and six hits over six-plus innings.

**MARLINS 6, PIRATES 3**

**PITTSBURGH (AP)** — Adeiny Hechavarria had two hits and drove in a run during a decisive five-run rally in the eighth inning to help Miami beat Pittsburgh.

Hechavarria's RBI single made it 4-2 after Marcell Ozuna and Jarrod Saltalamacchia drew bases-loaded walks from Justin Wilson to force home the tying and go-ahead runs. Christian Yelich capped the inning with a run-scoring double.

Giancarlo Stanton and Garrett Jones also had two hits for Miami.

Pittsburgh's Jordy Mercer had two hits.

A.J. Ramos (5-0) got two outs in the seventh inning for the win.

Jared Hughes (6-3) took the loss, though he could have gotten out of the seventh without allowing a run if not for third baseman Josh Harrison booting a potential double play grounder with one out.

Marlins starter Brad Hand didn't pitch at least seven full innings for the first time in four starts but had a solid 6 1/3-inning outing. The left-hander allowed two runs and six hits.

Pittsburgh starter Charlie Morton gave up one run and six hits in seven innings. He walked four struck out four.

**CARDINALS 3, RED SOX 2**  
**ST. LOUIS (AP)** — Jon Jay hit an RBI single with two outs in the eighth inning to break a tie and lead St. Louis over

Boston.

The Cardinals won their third in a row and fourth in the last five. Boston has lost three in a row.

Jay, who missed the previous five games with a wrist injury, blooped a hit to left off reliever Junichi Tazawa (1-3) to bring in former Red Sox player A.J. Pierzynski with the winning run.

Pat Neshek (5-0) earned the win by striking out the side in the eighth. Trevor Rosenthal recorded his NL-leading 35th save in 39 chances.

Boston beat St. Louis in six games in last year's World Series. St. Louis starter Lance Lynn gave up two runs on four hits over seven innings. Boston starter Rubby De La Rosa surrendered one run on six hits over six innings. □

## NL Capsules

# Wheeler wins again as Mets beat Nationals 6-1



# Phelps signs with new suit company

**PAUL NEWBERRY**  
**AP National Writer**

**BALTIMORE (AP)** — Michael Phelps has been linked with Speedo throughout his swimming career, most notably collecting a \$1 million bonus after he won a record eight gold medals at the Beijing Games.

Now, as he comes back from retirement, the most decorated athlete in Olympic history will have a different look.

Phelps announced Tuesday that he has signed a deal with Aqua Sphere, a company that has extensive experience with triathlons and recreational swimming but will be designing a racing suit for the first time. "Throughout my career, I've been able to do a lot of things with Speedo. The relationship was great," Phelps told The Associated Press. "But we came to a point where we had an opportunity to really change the sport and grow the sport even more."

Terms of the contract were not released, but it runs through the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

Phelps and his coach, Bob Bowman, will be working

with Aqua Sphere on a line of products beyond racing suits, all carrying the swimmer's name. In addition to success in the pool, they hope the Phelps brand will lure more people into swimming and reduce the number of drowning deaths.

The deal is a huge coup for Aqua Sphere, which is now represented by the winningest athlete in Olympics history as it tries to carve out a niche alongside more established swimsuit companies such as Arena, Speedo and Tyr. But the deal carries some risk if Phelps doesn't win more gold at the Rio Games.

"This is similar to (Michael) Jordan in basketball. Of course, this is going to be good for the company at the moment," said Mark Sunderland, a textile engineer and strategist at Philadelphia University. "But you have to move past what's good for the company right now. What is the long-term relationship? How will that relationship affect both parties long term?"

Phelps had been sponsored by Speedo since he was 16, and starred at Beijing in a high-tech suit the



In this July 31, 2014 photo, Michael Phelps, left, is measured in a prototype swimsuit before a training session at Meadowbrook Aquatic and Fitness Center in Baltimore.

Associated Press

company designed with help from NASA. The deal ran out at the end of last year.

After receiving offers from all the major companies, the 29-year-old was intrigued by the idea of going with a firm that would give him and Bowman substantial input into the design of everything from racing suits to gear that could be used at the grass-roots level.

"It's all hand-in-hand with

not only my goal to grow the sport of swimming, but to help kids live healthy and active lifestyles and learn to swim," Phelps said. "It starts from there."

Phelps has made no commitment to swimming past Rio in two years, though both sides insist this is a long-term relationship that will carry on beyond his time in the water.

Jason Sullivan, managing director at ad agency Pub-

licis Seattle, has worked on campaigns for Dwyane Wade, Charles Barkley, ESPN and Nike. He said the Phelps deal is part of a growing trend in which athletes want to have a more control over the products they endorse.

"His role in the design portion of it is the real coup," Sullivan said. "This really is an opportunity to leave his mark, to change the sports he's given so much to."

Don Rockwell, the CEO of Aqua Sphere, said his company began talking with Phelps' representatives after learning the deal with Speedo was ending. At the time, they weren't sure he would actually return as a competitor. Of course, there were no complaints when he announced his return in April.

Now Aqua Sphere will have one of its suits on a swimmer with 18 gold medals and 22 medals overall.

"This is a big opportunity for us," Rockwell said.

Under FINA guidelines, any new suits must be approved by the governing body and can be worn in competition starting Jan. 1. □

## Rogers

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Monfils didn't endear himself to fans by arguing with chair umpire Gerry Armstrong after receiving a time violation, even as they were captivated by his dazzling play on the court. As a result, Djokovic had support behind him as he came back from a 3-1 deficit in the third set.

"In a way it was fun, of course, and entertaining to be part of this match," said Djokovic, who will face Jo-Wilfried Tsonga in the next round. "I enjoyed it."

By avoiding what would've been the biggest upset of the tournament thus far, Djokovic kept alive the possibility of facing eighth-seeded Andy Murray in the quarterfinals.

Murray had little trouble

winning his opener, defeating 19-year-old Australian Nick Kyrgios 6-2, 6-2 in the first match of the day on center court.

"He outclassed me, he did everything better than me," said Kyrgios, who upset Rafael Nadal to reach the Wimbledon quarterfinals.

Murray, the 2013 Wimbledon champion who had back surgery last autumn, was pleased with the match. "I thought I did most things like pretty solid," the Scot said. "I didn't make too many errors. I moved well, (had a) high first-serve percentage."

Murray will face either Ivo Kalovic or Richard Gasquet in the next round.

"It's a tough draw, but it's also good to play against someone like a Novak if you get that opportunity in the buildup to the U.S. Open," Murray said. "You really see where your game is at."

Milos Raonic had his serve going amid some erratic shots as he came back to beat American Jack Sock 4-6, 7-6 (2), 7-6 (4) on center court.

Fans chanted "Let's go Milos! Let's go Milos!" between points, cheering on the last Canadian left in the field. On Tuesday, all four men who played singles were eliminated.

Raonic stunted that momentum with 15 aces that helped offset some struggles to return Sock's serve. He won 79 percent of his first-serve points but was broken in the first set.

In the second set, Raonic held serve before blowing out Sock in the tiebreaker. The Canadian needed another tiebreak to finish off the match.

Raonic will face Julien Benneteau of France on Thursday. Benneteau upset 11th-seeded Ernests Gulbis



Novak Djokovic of Serbia returns the ball against Gael Monfils of France during men's third round Rogers Cup tennis action in Toronto on Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014.

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on Wednesday after beating Lleyton Hewitt in the first round.

Jo-Wilfried Tsonga beat fellow Frenchman Jeremy Chardy 7-6 (4), 6-4 to set

up a match with Djokovic. Last week, Nadal withdrew from tournaments in Toronto and Cincinnati because of a right wrist injury. □



# Your Hidden Allergies are Making you Sick

By Dr Carlos Viana

Food allergy is one of the most common medical problems today and its growing! One study by the US National Institute of Health (NIH) on just four of the most common food allergens, peanuts, shrimp, milk and eggs found that 7.5 million or almost 3 in 100 people have a life threatening allergy to one or more of these foods. Millions more have less severe allergies or intolerances to these and many other foods and chemicals.

A serious allergic reaction can also develop because of a wasp or jellyfish sting, chemicals, over-the-counter or pharmaceutical drugs. This reaction is your immune system deciding that these foods, venom stings, chemicals or medicines are enemies of the body and need to be attacked. With this type of allergy, the immune system produces massive amounts of the chemical histamine that leads to anaphylaxis. This potentially fatal condition may cause red, itchy skin rashes, acute sinus attack, swollen eyes and stomach pain or can swell the throat and esophagus cutting off air from the lungs.

People with a life threatening allergy should speak to their doctor about carrying an, EpiPen, or auto-injector of epinephrine, available by prescription to stop the body's release of life threatening histamines and give the person time to get emergency care. A blood test called, IgE can check for this type of allergic response, but only when you

have an attack.

On the other hand, an inability to tolerate foods and environmental factors, also known as a sensitivity or intolerance, causes the immune system to work less severely, but constantly. This constant or chronic inflammation has been linked to countless conditions, including: digestive disorders, migraines, obesity, chronic fatigue, ADD, depression, aching joints, skin disorders, arthritis and many more.

A major development in food sensitivities came through the work of Doctor Karl Landsteiner. In 1902 Dr. Landsteiner discovered the ABO blood group system. Landsteiner saw that the blood from one type thickened the blood of an individual with a different blood type. Thick blood causes circulation problems and increases the possibility of heart attacks and strokes. Not only did Landsteiner's work permit successful blood transfusions and save thousands of lives, it also led to the discovery that specific foods will thicken the blood of specific blood types. Based on this initial work, blood type diets have been developed. For over ten years our clinic has witnessed positive changes in the health of our patients that follow blood type diets.

Beyond thickening of the blood, less acute and obvious reactions of the body to foods, food additives, chemicals, pharmaceutical drugs, molds, even herbal medicine are difficult to diagnose. In a food and chemical intolerance your

immune system is working needlessly. Modern, synthetic foods, overuse of pharmaceuticals and chemicals, electromagnetic fields (EMF's), all contribute to an over stimulated immune system. This over stimulated immune system makes a "mistake" and fights otherwise harmless foods. That "mistake" continues unless you eliminate that food response and break the cycle. When your immune system is working continually, it produces inflammation which has been linked to countless chronic conditions, including: digestive disorders, migraines, obesity, chronic fatigue, ADD, aching joints, skin disorders, arthritis and many more.

Symptoms of food intolerance vary greatly, and can be mistaken for the symptoms of a food allergy. While true allergies are associated with fast-acting responses, it can be difficult to determine the offending food or chemical causing intolerance because these responses generally take place over a prolonged period of time. Thus, the offending food or chemical and the response are separated in time and may not be obviously related. Food intolerance symptoms usually begin about half an hour after eating or drinking the food in question, but sometimes symptoms may be delayed up to four days!

The blood type food lists are good, but based on the generalized blood types. Since it would be difficult to eliminate and then reintroduce all the foods in

a person's diet to check for sensitivity, a comprehensive blood test is available using blood from the individual person that checks a large panel of foods and chemicals for these slower reactions.

Although there are allergy skin tests, these tests only check one type of body reaction and there are several. Therefore an allergy skin test is not reliable. For 25 years, the ALCAT® world-wide, Food and Chemical Sensitivity/Intolerance Testing has provided patients and nutritional healthcare professionals with a tool to successfully overcome a wide variety of conditions, such as digestive disorders, migraines, obesity, chronic fatigue, skin disorders, arthritis, hyperactivity, sinus, asthma and body pain which result from food and chemical sensitivities.

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# 7 ways to create better, stronger passwords

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**NEW YORK (AP)** — With the recent news that a Russian hacker ring has amassed some 1.2 billion username and password combinations, it's a good time to review ways to protect yourself online.

The hacking misdeeds were described in a New York Times story based on the findings of Hold Security, a Milwaukee firm that has a history of uncovering online security breaches. Hold Security told the Times that the data was pilfered from some 420,000 websites and is "the largest known collection of stolen Internet credentials." Hold's researchers did not identify the origins of the data or name the victim websites, citing nondisclosure agreements. The company also said it didn't want to name companies whose websites are still vulnerable to hacking, according to the Times report.

If there's reason to believe your information might have been compromised, change your passwords immediately.

One of the best things you can do is to make sure your new passwords are strong. Here are seven ways to fortify them:

—Make your password long. The recommended minimum is eight characters, but 14 is better and 25 is even better than that. Some services have character limits on passwords,

though.

—Use combinations of letters and numbers, upper and lower case and symbols such as the exclamation mark. Some services won't let you do all of that, but try to vary it as much as you can. "PaSsWoRd!43" is far better than "password43."

—Avoid words that are in dictionaries, even if you add numbers and symbols. There are programs that can crack passwords by going through databases of known words. One trick is to add numbers in the middle of a word — as in "pas123swor456d" instead of "password123456." Another is to think of a sentence and use just the first letter of each word — as in "tqbfjotld" for "the quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog."

—Substitute characters. For instance, use the number zero instead of the letter O, or replace the S with a dollar sign.

—Avoid easy-to-guess words, even if they aren't in the dictionary. You shouldn't use your name, company name or hometown, for instance. Avoid pets and relatives' names, too. Likewise, avoid things that can be looked up, such as your birthday or ZIP code. But you might use that as part of a complex password. Try reversing your ZIP code or phone number and insert that into a string of letters. As a reminder, you should also



In this June 16, 2013 file photo, Internet users browse their Facebook website by the free wifi internet service in an underground station in Hong Kong.

Associated Press

avoid "password" as the password, or consecutive keys on the keyboard, such as "1234" or "qwerty."

—Never reuse passwords on other accounts — with two exceptions. Over the years, I've managed to create hundreds of accounts. Many are for one-time use, such as when a newspaper website requires me to register to read the full story. It's OK to use simple passwords and repeat them in those types of situations, as long as the password isn't unlocking features that involve credit cards or posting on a message board. That will let you focus on keeping passwords to the more essential

accounts strong.

The other exception is to log in using a centralized sign-on service such as Facebook Connect. Hulu, for instance, gives you the option of using your Facebook username and password instead of creating a separate one for the video site. This technically isn't reusing your password, but a matter of Hulu borrowing the log-in system Facebook already has in place. The account information isn't stored with Hulu. Facebook merely tells Hulu's computers that it's you. Of course, if you do this, it's even more important to keep your Facebook password secure.

—Some services such as Gmail even give you the option of using two passwords when you use a particular computer or device for the first time. If you have that feature turned on, the service will send a text message with a six-digit code to your phone when you try to use Gmail from an unrecognized device. You'll need to enter that for access, and then the code expires. It's optional, and it's a pain — but it could save you from grief later on. Hackers won't be able to access the account without possessing your phone. Turn it on by going to the account's security settings. □

## HK court: Tycoon can sue Google over autocomplete

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**HONG KONG (AP)** — A court has ruled that a Hong Kong tycoon can sue Google over its autocomplete results suggesting he has links to organized crime. In a judgment released Wednesday, the court dismissed the Internet search giant's objections to tycoon Albert Yeung's defamation lawsuit.

Yeung filed the lawsuit after Google refused to remove autocomplete suggestions such as "triad," as organized crime gangs

are known in China, which popped up with searches on his name. The billionaire's business empire includes an entertainment company that produces films and manages some of the city's biggest celebrities. He argues that his reputation has been "gravely injured" and wants compensation. Judge Marlene Ng disagreed with Google's lawyers, who argued Yeung was better off asking the websites where the defamatory information was published to remove it. She said Google

had the ability to censor material.

"Any risk of misinformation can spread easily as users forage in the web. The art is to find the comfortable equilibrium in between," she said in her ruling. It's the latest legal headache for Google over its search service. Earlier this year, the European Union's top court ruled that Google and other search engines must respond to requests seeking removal of links to personal information. Last year, a German court ruled in favor of a nutrition-



al supplements company and its owner who sued Google to remove auto-

complete terms suggesting links to Scientology and fraud. □



# Walgreen turns down inversion to cut tax bill

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Growing political heat and possible customer backlash helped dissuade Walgreen from trying to trim its tax bill by reorganizing overseas as part of an acquisition.

But experts say they don't expect other companies considering the move to follow Walgreen's lead and stay rooted in the United States.

Walgreen, the nation's biggest drugstore chain, said Wednesday that it would no longer consider a so-called inversion, which has become popular among large, multi-national health care companies looking to cut U.S. taxes. The company said it will instead combine with the Swiss health and beauty retailer Alliance Boots to form a holding company that's based in the U.S.

Walgreen Co. said in a statement that it was "mindful of the ongoing public reaction to a potential inversion" and its "unique role as an iconic American" retailer.

Walgreen's decision follows a wave of recently announced inversions that have prompted President Barack Obama and members of Congress to voice



**People walk past the Boots flagship store, owned by Swiss health and beauty retailer Alliance Boots, on Oxford Street in London, Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014.**  
**Associated Press**

growing concern about tax revenue the U.S. government could lose from these moves. Despite Walgreen's decision, experts say U.S. companies will likely continue to pursue inversions because they can still reap big benefits by reorganizing overseas.

"We need fundamental

corporate tax reform to solve this problem, and it isn't going to happen in an election year," said Donald Goldman, an Arizona State University professor. Inversions involve a U.S. company reorganizing in another country by either acquiring or combining with another business.

These deals provide tax relief in a number of ways. They allow companies to transfer money earned overseas to the parent company without paying additional U.S. taxes.

Inversions also provide some relief from the U.S. corporate income tax rate of 35 percent, which is the highest in the industrialized world. The U.S. had a competitive tax rate back in the 1980s but that changed when other countries started lowering their rates and the U.S. didn't follow, said Cynthia Eakin, an associate accounting professor at the University of the Pacific.

"We haven't paid attention to what's going on globally," she said. "We don't really have a global tax strategy."

There have been 47 U.S. companies that have put together inversions through tie-ups with foreign businesses over the past decade, according to the Congressional Research Service. Several others are planning or considering the move.

Walgreen was considering an inversion while it decided whether to buy the remaining portion of Alliance Boots that it didn't already own. In 2012, the

U.S. company bought a 45 percent stake in Alliance Boots, which runs the largest drugstore chain in the United Kingdom.

It ultimately decided against an inversion because the company wasn't convinced the deal would pass IRS scrutiny. Walgreen didn't design the acquisition as an inversion, so it would have to change key elements of it, including possibly the terms, to avoid IRS challenges that it was abusing the tax code.

An IRS fight could have led to a long legal battle and back taxes with penalties if the company lost, Walgreen officials told analysts during a Wednesday morning conference call.

Plus, the company had no assurances that tax code wouldn't eventually be changed to remove some of the advantages companies get from inversions, spokesman Michael Polzin noted.

Additionally, Illinois Sen. Dick Durbin had sent a letter to Walgreen CEO Greg Wasson urging him to reconsider an inversion and warning that the company may find its customers are "deeply patriotic and will not support Walgreen's decision to turn its back on the United States." □



**This combination made from file photos shows Brightstar CEO Marcelo Claire, left, and longtime Sprint CEO Dan Hesse.**

**Associated Press**

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**AP Technology Writer**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Sprint's new owner is replacing its longtime CEO with a Bolivian billionaire and entrepreneur after dropping its bid for rival wireless carrier T-Mobile US.

Marcelo Claire, the CEO

of Miami-based cellphone distributor Brightstar, will replace Dan Hesse on Monday, Sprint Corp. said Wednesday.

Claire, 43, had been CEO of Brightstar Corp., which is part of Softbank Corp. of Japan. Softbank bought 70 percent of Sprint last

year.

Sprint shares plunged in midday trading as its chairman and incoming CEO talked about adopting aggressive tactics to compete with AT&T and Verizon, likely including price cuts.

The Wall Street Journal said Tuesday that Sprint decided not to pursue the merger of the No. 3 and No. 4 U.S. carriers. The paper cited unnamed people familiar with the matter. The merger would have faced tough opposition from U.S. regulators who want to preserve competition among wireless carriers, and Wall Street analysts saw little chance

of the deal being consummated.

In a statement Wednesday, the CEO of Softbank and chairman of Sprint said the company's focus had shifted away from acquisitions, though he didn't address the Sprint deal specifically.

"While we continue to believe industry consolidation will enhance competitiveness and benefit customers, our focus moving forward will be on making Sprint the most successful carrier," Masayoshi Son said. Part of Son's desire to buy T-Mobile probably lay in his desire to bring T-Mobile CEO John Legere into his team. The foul-

mouthed, jeans-wearing Legere has upended long-standing industry practices and brought customers streaming back to T-Mobile, though he has no profits to show for his efforts. With the T-Mobile deal now scotched, Son had to look elsewhere for iconoclastic leadership, said analyst Roger Entner of Recon Analytics.

"Son is looking for a more entrepreneurial spirit ... he's looking for someone willing to break the rules," Entner said.

In his own statement, Claire suggested Sprint would be taking on Verizon and AT&T through price cuts. □

## Sprint names new CEO after dropping T-Mobile bid



# Anheuser-Busch to import Montejo from Mexico

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Hoping to tap the fast-growing Hispanic market, Anheuser-Busch is importing its first Mexican lager to the U.S.

The subsidiary of Belgium-based Anheuser-Busch InBev, the world's largest beer maker, said Wednesday that starting next month it will sell Montejo lager in bars, restaurants and grocery stores in California, Texas, Arizona and New Mexico. The move comes as both the Hispanic population and the market for Hispanic foods continues to grow in the U.S.

Nearly 55 percent of all imported lagers in the U.S. are from Mexico, with notable brands including Corona, Modelo, Tecate and Dos Equis, according to market researcher Euromonitor International, which valued the Mexican import market at \$1.84 billion in 2012.

Hispanics make up more than a quarter of the U.S. population today, and Hispanic flavors and ingredients increasingly are flavoring the American culinary experience. Hispanic foods and beverages were an \$8 billion market in 2012, according to consumer



This undated product image provided by Anheuser-Busch shows Montejo. Associated Press

research firm Packaged Facts. By 2017, that number may reach \$11 billion. "There's obviously a growing consumer demand and preference for Mexican beers in the U.S.," Ryan Garcia, Anheuser-Busch's vice president of regional marketing, said in an interview with The Associated Press.

That's due to demographics, of course, but also to price — Mexican beers tend to be cheaper because import costs are

lower. It also helps that Mexican beers — generally characterized by a light, crisp body and mild taste — have "an aura of vacation and relaxation" that appeals to U.S. consumers, Euromonitor said.

Montejo was first launched in southeastern Mexico in 1960 as an anniversary brand for a brewery on the Yucatan peninsula that dated back to the early 1900s. It will be the first time it's available outside of Mexico. □

## AP source: BofA agrees to pay \$16-\$17B in U.S. deal

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**Associated Press**

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — A person familiar with the matter says Bank of America has agreed to pay between \$16 billion and \$17 billion to settle an investigation into its sale of mortgage-backed securities before the financial crisis.

The deal with the bank would be the largest Justice Department settlement by far arising from the economic meltdown. It follows earlier agreements with Citigroup and JPMorgan Chase & Co.

The person, who spoke on condition of anonymity because the deal wasn't



In this Jan. 14, 2014, file photo, a Bank of America sign is photographed in Philadelphia. Associated Press

yet final, said Wednesday some details still need to be worked out and it was possible the agreement could fall apart.

But the person said the agreement was reached

following a conversation last week between Attorney General Eric Holder and Bank of America chief executive Brian Moynihan. A bank spokesman declined to comment. □



Traders Daniel Kryger, left, and Christopher Morie work on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014. Associated Press

## Stocks stabilize; Molson Coors jumps on earnings

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**NEW YORK (AP)** — U.S. stocks stabilized on Wednesday after earnings from a major beer brewer helped the market stem its recent declines.

The stock market ended the day little changed after a sizable drop a day earlier, when Russia massed troops near its border with Ukraine. Molson Coors was the biggest gainer in the Standard & Poor's 500 index after the company reported better-than-forecast earnings. Rupert Murdoch's 21st Century Fox rose after the company said it was dropping a bid to acquire Time Warner, while Sprint plunged after it abandoned its effort to acquire T-Mobile US.

The stock market has become more volatile in recent weeks, and slumped last month to its first monthly decline since January. Investors are weighing signs that the U.S. economy is strengthening against the threat of an escalating conflict in Ukraine, as well as the prospect of the Federal Reserve raising its benchmark interest rate.

"On the one hand the U.S. economy is really starting to look good, but on the other hand, the markets are certainly jittery about what's going on in Ukraine and Russia," said Anastasia Amoroso, Global Markets Strategist at J.P. Morgan Funds. The S&P 500 rose a fraction of a point, or less than 0.1 percent, to 1,920.24. The index lost 18 points, or 1 percent, on Tuesday. The index is still up on the year,

but has dropped 3.5 percent from its record close set July 24.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 13.87 points, or 0.1 percent, to 16,443.34. The Nasdaq composite rose 2.2 points, or 0.1 percent, to 4,355.05.

Molson Coors rose \$3.87, or 5.8 percent, to \$71.08 after the company said its second-quarter profit rose 9 percent as better pricing offset a global decline in the volume of beer sales.

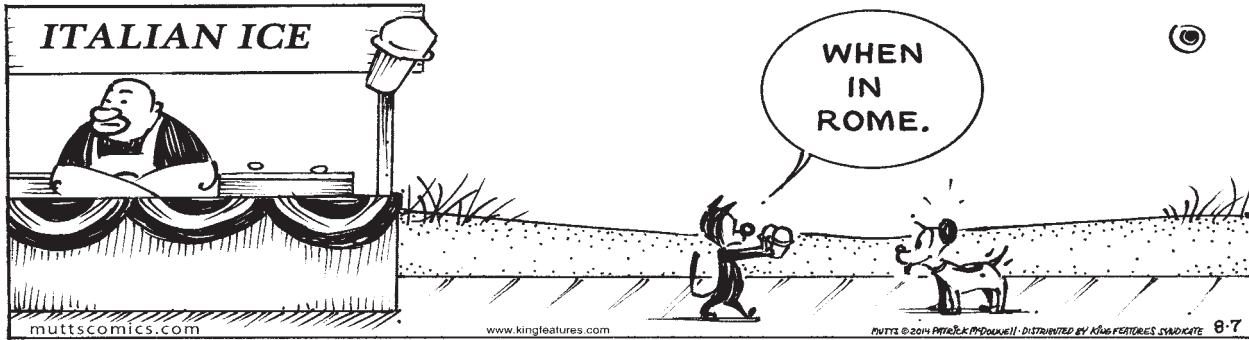
As well as watching earnings, investors were looking at two merger bids that unraveled. Sprint plunged \$1.38, or 19 percent, to \$5.90 after the company said it was abandoning its pursuit of T-Mobile US. Sprint would have struggled to convince regulators to approve a merger of the No. 3 and No. 4 cellphone carriers in the nation, according to The Wall Street Journal. Sprint is also replacing its longtime CEO.

Time Warner fell \$10.95, or 12.9 percent, to \$74.24 after Rupert Murdoch's 21st Century Fox said it was dropping its attempt to take over the company. The deal would have combined two of the world's biggest media conglomerates. 21st Century Fox rose \$1.03, or 3.3 percent, to \$32.33.

Stocks may oscillate in a trading range in coming days as investors follow developments in Ukraine and assess their impact on the global economy, said Peter Cardillo, chief market economist at Rockwell Global Capital. □



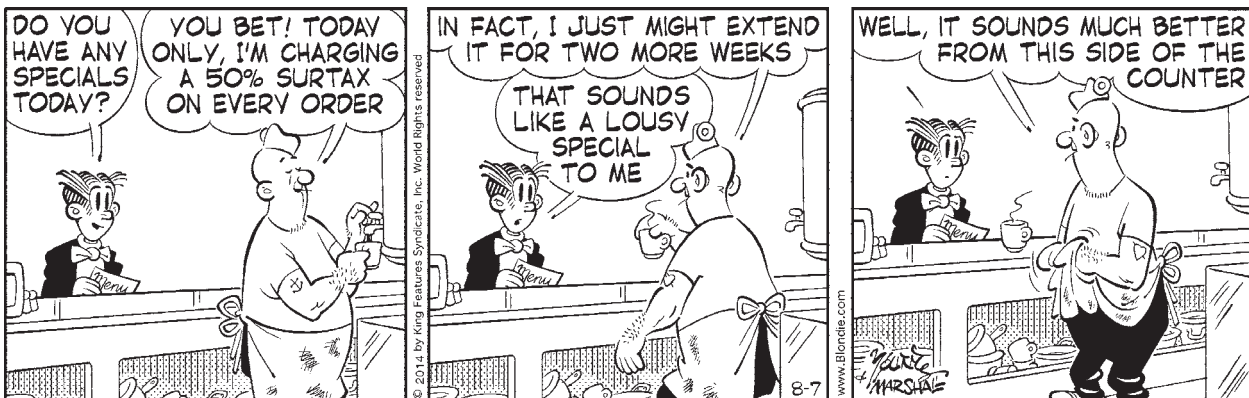
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## Conceptis Sudoku

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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Yesterday's puzzle answer

4	9	5	2	1	8	3	7	6
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8	7	1	3	4	5	2	6	9
5	6	3	9	8	2	1	4	7
6	2	9	4	3	1	7	8	5
1	5	4	8	7	9	6	2	3
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### ACROSS

- Little children
- "Get lost!"
- Political party's interpretation
- Border on
- Actor Michael
- Zip \_\_; part of an address
- Skimpy skirt
- Uneasy feeling
- Bylaw
- Germfree
- Irrigated
- Actor Steiger
- Under
- French farewell
- \_\_ for the course; normal
- Actor Stacy \_\_
- Discover
- "For \_\_ a jolly good fellow..."
- Inlet between Africa and Asia
- Light brown
- Crew member
- Actor \_\_ Mineo
- Get-up-and-go
- Not at home
- Examination
- More unusual
- Run slowly
- Helium & argon
- Yellow citrus
- Wheel's center
- Makes content
- Cure-all
- Remove from power
- Gets close to
- Strike with an open palm
- Back of the neck
- Rattled
- Give a hoot
- Fellows
- Mold; form
- Hooting birds

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### Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

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TONS	LEARN	SPIT
SPOIL	FLYER	EMU
MOVES	PERSON	
WRAPPER	LACE	
HOLLER	DILIGENT	
IDLE	SARA	TABOO
FEES	USER	ELBOW
FONT	SAWS	DESKS

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### DOWN

- Scottish caps
- Death notice, for short
- Adjust a piano
- Began to awaken
- Hot sauce
- Nativity set figurine
- Pistol
- Dobbin's dinner
- Traitor
- Grimm baddies
- Big coffee cup
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- Notice
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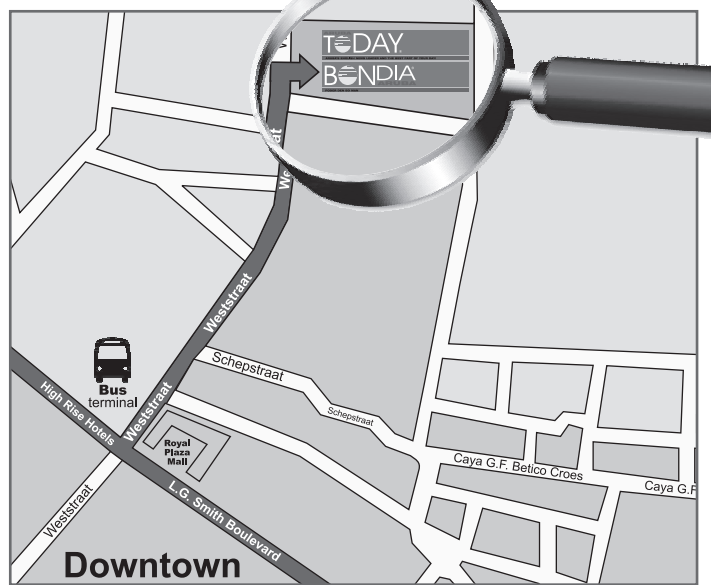


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# Comet joined by space probe after 10-year pursuit

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Associated Press

DARMSTADT, Germany (AP) —

Turning what seemed like a science fiction tale into reality, an unmanned probe swung alongside a comet on Wednesday after a 4-billion mile (6.4-billion kilometer) chase through outer space over the course of a decade.

Europe's Rosetta probe will orbit and study the giant lump of dust and ice as it hurtles toward the sun and, if all goes according to plan, drop a lander onto the comet in the coming months.

Rosetta turned up as planned for its rendezvous with comet 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko somewhere between the orbits of Mars and Jupiter.

The incredible trip, launched on March 2, 2004, marks a milestone in mankind's effort to understand the mysterious 'shooting stars' that periodically flash past Earth, and which have often been viewed with fear and trepidation.

While the moon, Mars and even asteroids have been visited, no spacecraft has yet gotten so close to a comet. Having achieved this feat, Rosetta will go one step further and drop a lander on 67P's icy surface — a maneuver planned for November.

"You can compare what we've done so far to finding a speck of dust in a big city," said Gerhard Schwehm, who was lead scientist on the Rosetta mission until his recent retirement.

That's probably an understatement.

To catch their quarry, sci-



In this picture taken on Aug. 3, 2014 by Rosetta's OSIRIS narrow-angle camera Comet 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko is pictured from a distance of 285 kms. Associated Press

entists at the European Space Agency had to overcome a series of hurdles that included a last-minute change of destination — after a carrier rocket failure delayed launch — and a tense hibernation period of 31 months during which the probe was out of contact with ground stations.

Before Rosetta swung alongside 67P with a final thrust Wednesday, the spacecraft also had to accelerate to 55,000 kph (34,000 mph) — a speed that required three loops around Earth and one around Mars.

Underlining the singular achievement, ESA's director-general Jean-Jacques Dordain told scientists and spectators at the mission control center in Darmstadt, Germany: "This is your only chance to have a rendezvous with a com-

et."

Rosetta will now spend several months observing 67P from a safe distance of up to 100 kilometers (60 miles). This will give scientists time to find a safe place to land Rosetta's sidekick, Philae.

This maneuver will pose an unprecedented challenge because there will be no second shot.

Recent pictures of 67P show that its surface is porous, with steep cliffs and house-sized boulders.

One person involved with Rosetta from the start told The Associated Press that the landing was "mission impossible" with only a slim chance of success. He spoke on condition of anonymity to avoid harming his employer.

Even if the landing fails, Rosetta itself will remain in the comet's orbit until at least the end of 2015, gathering reams of data with its 11 on-board sensors. As 67P gets closer to the sun it will begin to fizz and release the cloud of dust and ice that most people associate with comets.

"We're going to have a ringside seat to see, for the first time, a comet turn into a comet, to develop its tail and explain what for centuries mankind has been puzzled by," said David Southwood, a former president of the Royal Astronomical Society who was involved with the Rosetta mission from the start.

Overall, scientists hope the €1.3 billion (\$1.74 billion) mission will help them learn more about the origins of comets, stars, planets and maybe even life on Earth, he said.

Mark McCaughrean, a senior scientific advisor at ESA, predicted plenty of surprises ahead.

"With this comet, every time we see a new image the jaws drop," he said. "Everybody just can't believe how lucky we have been." □

## A timeline of Rosetta probe's 10-year journey

The Associated Press

DARMSTADT, Germany

(AP) — Europe's unmanned space probe Rosetta completed a decade-long journey on Wednesday to link up with a comet. The probe will orbit and study the giant ball of dust and ice as it hurtles toward the sun before attempting to drop a lander onto the comet in the coming months.

Here's a look at key moments during Rosetta's incredible trip:

March 2, 2004: Europe's unmanned probe Rosetta takes off from Kourou, French Guiana, after a series of delays, including an abandoned January 2003

launch window because of a rocket problem.

Feb. 25, 2007: Rosetta carries out a close flyby of Mars. European Space Agency's mission control breaks out in applause after the end of 15 tense minutes of radio silence as the craft passes behind the Red Planet.

Sept. 5, 2008: Probe successfully passes close to an asteroid 250 million miles from Earth. The spacecraft loses its radio signal for 90 minutes as planned during the flyby of the Steins asteroid, also known as Asteroid 2867. July 10, 2010: Between Mars and Jupiter, Rosetta transmits its first pictures from the largest asteroid ever visited by a

satellite after it flies by Lutetia as close as 1,900 miles (3,200 kilometers). It is the closest look to date of the Lutetia asteroid.

Jan. 20, 2014: Waking after almost three years of hibernation, Rosetta sends its first signal back to Earth, prompting cheers from scientists. Systems had been powered down in 2011 to conserve energy, leaving scientists in the dark for 31 months.

Aug. 6, 2014: Rosetta swings alongside comet 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko somewhere between the orbits of Mars and Jupiter.

November 2014: The probe will try to drop a lander on the comet's icy surface. □



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This Aug. 2, 2014 photo shows a tortoise with an iPad mounted on its back. Associated Press

## Petition: Strapping iPads to tortoises backs is cruel

**ASPEN, Colorado (AP)** — A Colorado art museum is standing by an upcoming exhibit featuring three tortoises with iPads mounted on their backs, despite calls from animal-rights activists to call off the exhibit as animal abuse. The Aspen Art Museum released a statement Wednesday supporting the exhibit by Cai Guo-Qiang called "Moving Ghost Town." The exhibit opens Saturday as part of the public grand opening of the town's new \$45 million museum. The African Sulcata tortoises will roam around grass on the museum's roof deck garden. Each will have two iPads showing video of area ghost towns. The museum said the tortoises were rescued from a breeder and that a veterinarian is overseeing their care, and that their diet includes leafy vegetables. The iPads are on mounts attached with

an epoxy used to attach tracking devices to wild animals, the museum said. "It is not the Museum's practice to censor artists," spokeswoman Sara Fitzmaurice wrote in a statement. "The three are being closely monitored, cared for, checked by a local veterinarian at regular intervals, and are being exhibited in consultation with the Turtle Conservancy," Fitzmaurice wrote. She said the tortoises would get new homes after the exhibit closes Oct. 5. The Museum also sent a statement from an Aspen veterinarian. "The iPads have not interfered in any way with their natural behavior," Dr. Elizabeth Kremzier said in the statement. But the creator of the petition to stop the exhibit disagreed. "These creatures were not designed to carry 2-pound iPads," Lisabeth Oden told the Aspen Daily News. □

## Nils Lofgren turns attention to his own work



This May 3, 2014 file photo shows Nils Lofgren, center, performing with Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band at the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival in New Orleans. Associated Press

**DAVID BAUDER**  
**AP Entertainment Writer**  
**NEW YORK (AP)** — Nils Lofgren often wears a big top hat onstage when playing with Bruce Springsteen's E Street Band. But it's not to cover a big head. The guitarist has forged a relatively unique rock 'n' roll niche through a willingness to sublimate his ego and take on supporting roles with Springsteen, Neil Young and Ringo Starr in addition to writing and recording his own music. With Springsteen on a break, Lofgren is turning attention to his own work. On Tuesday, Fan-

tasy Records released "Face the Music," a nine-CD, one-DVD box set of Lofgren's music from his days leading the Washington-area band Grin in the late 1960s through 20 years of self-produced material on his website. Sure, it's great to play his own music. But Lofgren also appreciates being in a band and not having to deal with everything a boss is responsible for. "I understand some solo artists who say, 'I don't want to be a backup guy, I don't want to play rhythm guitar for anybody,'" he said. "I get it. But that's not me."

Lofgren, 63, has never had a signature hit of his own, though he's certainly tried. He's made his peace with that, without pretending it hasn't been frustrating. "Most people who make music have that dream of having the big hit record that goes into heavy rotation, where they play it 18 times an hour until people get sick of you," he said. "We'd all love that. Because it means millions of people are discovering your music." Thirty years after replacing Steve Van Zandt in the E Street Band, Lofgren said he still feels like the new guy. Springsteen stuck with him even when Van Zandt returned; Lofgren learned instruments like the dobro and pedal steel guitar to find new room in the music. The band's welcome into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame this spring was meaningful, although some members weren't happy that it came 15 years after their Boss. "It got to be a mantra in the dressing room occasionally," he said. "It almost became like a badge of honor that we weren't in." □

## Helen Mirren to bring 'The Audience' to Broadway

**MARK KENNEDY**  
**AP Drama Writer**  
**NEW YORK (AP)** — Broadway, prepare for the arrival of a queen — Helen Mirren is bringing "The Audience" to New York City. Producers of Peter Morgan's play said Wednesday that Mirren will return to Broadway

this spring as Elizabeth II in the work that wowed London audiences and earned the actress an Olivier Award. "The Audience" imagines the private weekly meetings between the monarch and Britain's prime ministers — 12 in all — over her six-decade reign. In the play,

the queen grows from a tentative 20-something to wise octogenarian while retaining a core of solitude. Previews in New York start Feb. 17 and it will run through June at the Gerald Schoenfeld Theatre, directed by two-time Tony Award winner Stephen Daldry. □



Helen Mirren attends "The Hundred-Foot Journey" premiere on Monday, Aug. 4, 2014, in New York. Associated Press



## Boone Isaacs re-elected president of film academy

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — Recognized as a trailblazer during her first term as America's film academy president, marketing executive Cheryl Boone Isaacs has been re-elected for another year.

Film academy governors elected new officers late Tuesday.

Boone Isaacs is the first black female president of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, and only the third woman to serve as president in the organization's 87-year history. Academy officers may serve up to four consecutive one-year terms. Boone Isaacs was inducted into the Hall of Fame of the civil rights group NAACP and received Essence magazine's Trail-



In this Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2014 file photo, Cheryl Boone Isaacs, president of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, poses for a portrait in Los Angeles.

Associated Press

blazer award this year. She has been an academy member for 22 years. □



## Ron Howard offers filmmaking tips in Tribeca video

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Ron Howard is letting aspiring filmmakers in on his secrets — and into his hotel room — in a video released by New York's Tribeca Film Festival.

The 60-year-old Oscar winner stars in "Leading by Example," a digital short released in conjunction with the festival's call for submissions Wednesday. Howard first appears in pajamas in the four-minute video, inviting the camera into his hotel suite. His

first tip? "Salt baths keep your skin baby-soft for decades."

While wearing a robe, Howard sketches out a mathematical formula for directing that he developed during "A Beautiful Mind." Finally dressed, he prepares for the challenge of filmmaking by intentionally putting rocks in his shoes to "maintain a steady baseline of discomfort."

The Tribeca Film Festival is set for April 15-26, 2015. □



Director James Cameron is photographed during a portrait session at a central London hotel following the 'Titanic 3D' UK film premiere at the Royal Albert Hall in Kensington, West London, Tuesday, March 27, 2012.

Associated Press

## While 'Avatar' waits, James Cameron dives into an abyss

**The Associated Press**

In the documentary of his record-breaking deep-sea dive, "Deepsea Challenge 3D," James Cameron asks, "Am I a filmmaker who does exploration work on the side, or am I an explorer who does filming on the side?"

It's a good question. It's now been five years since Cameron's last feature film (a little independent movie called "Avatar"), and in that time, the priorities of the most bankable director in Hollywood have sometimes been as murky as the deep sea. He has spent those years producing a fleet of documentaries about ocean exploration and deep-water life forms. His biggest project hasn't been a mega blockbuster but building a deep-diving sub and piloting it more than 35,000 feet down into the Challenger Deep, the deepest part of the Mariana Trench.

"I make the Hollywood movies to pay for the exploration," Cameron said in a recent phone interview from California. Certainly, many moviegoers are eager for Cameron to get back on a film set. After some earlier postponements, he's on his way, currently finishing the scripts and design work for three planned "Avatar" sequels.

But for now, on Friday, he's releasing in theaters a 3-D film for National Geographic that chronicles his 2012 dive into another alien world, "the last great frontier," as he calls the ocean. For Cameron, the movie is a testament to the spirit of exploration, which he feels is flagging in America.

Cameron's dive, nearly seven miles deep, was only the second manned-dive to reach the bottom of the Challenger Deep, the deepest known point of the seabed. Some 68 new species were identified from the sub, which was equipped with 3-D cameras.

"I think explorers feel a sense of the sacred," said Cameron of descending into such a remote abyss. "Something that's beyond themselves, when they go to a place that's never been witnessed before and bare witness for the first time."

"Deepsea" co-director John Bruno had to capture it all in stormy conditions and while coordinating 3-D cameras that each took two men to operate.

"The ocean hasn't read the script, so it's not going to cooperate," says Cameron. "And the sub is a bit like a diva movie actress. You're not always going to get it on camera when you want it."

The similarities of leading an expedition team and a feature film crew are, to Cameron, identical. Ever the taskmaster, the documentary shows him prodding his scientists on their time tables. In Cameron's day job, the interaction would be the same.

Speaking of time tables, there is the pace of work on the "Avatar" films, which are scheduled for release in 2016, 2017 and 2018. Though Cameron earlier said the screenplays (which he's writing with Josh Friedman, Rick Jaffa, Amanda Silver and Shane Salerno) would be finished by the end of the spring, they're still being completed.

"It's going to be another couple months, I would say, at least," said Cameron. "We will serve no wine before it's time, and I would be pretty stupid to run off and start shooting 'Avatar' until the scripts are perfect. Whether that compromises our announced release date of Christmas '16, at this point I can't really say until we break down the budget and schedule."

Cameron said he's working seven days a week on "Avatar" as the pages "pour in," but with one exception. He's taking an upcoming vacation to Tahiti for — what else? — a little scuba diving. □



# Dear Guests



Thomas L. Friedman

KIBBUTZ EIN HASHLOSHA, Israel - At 6:02 a.m. Saturday, the air raid siren sounded over Tel Aviv. I was roused by the hotel staff from my room and ushered into the windowless service elevator area with two French families, everyone in their pajamas. After 10 minutes, when the Hamas missile threat had passed, we were allowed to go back to our rooms. As I slipped back into bed, the hotel loudspeaker bellowed, "Dear guests, you may return to your routine."

With Israel and Hamas winding down their latest war, I could only wonder whether the hotel manager was also speaking to them. Is that it? More than 60 Israeli soldiers and some 1,800 Hamas fighters and Gazans - many hundreds of them children and civilians - killed, and everyone just goes back to their routines? I don't think so. Some new and significant things were revealed here. Let's start with the fight. Since the early 2000s, Iran and its proxies Hezbollah and, until recently, Hamas, have pursued a three-pillar strategy toward Israel. The first is asymmetric warfare, primarily using cheap rockets, to paralyze Israeli towns and cities. For now, Israel's Iron Dome anti-missile system appears to have nullified this weapon; Hamas rockets did virtually no damage.

The second pillar, which debuted in the 2006 Israel-Hezbollah war, is to nest Hamas fighters and rocket launchers among the densely packed Gazan population and force Israel into a war where it can only defeat or deter Hamas if it risks war-crimes charges. No one here will explicitly say so, but one need only study this war to understand that Israel considers it central to its deterrence strategy that neither Hamas nor Hezbollah will "outcrazy us." I don't believe Israel was targeting Gaza civilians - I believe it tried to avoid them - but, at the end of the day, it was not deterred by the prospect of substantial collateral civilian casualties. Hamas used Gaza's civilians as war-crimes bait. And Israel did whatever was necessary to prove to Hamas, "You will not outcrazy us out of this region." It was all ugly. This is not Scandinavia. The third pillar of the Iran/Hezbollah/Hamas strategy is: Israel must forever occupy Palestinians in the West Bank because the perpetuation of that colonial occupation is essential for delegitimizing and isolating Israel on the world stage - especially among young Westerners - and energizing Muslims against Israel. On this, Hamas scored a huge victory. We saw that clearly in the decision by the Federal Aviation Administration to briefly order a ban on U.S. flights to Tel Aviv, after a single Hamas rocket landed just more than a

mile from the airport. That was exactly the message Hamas wanted delivered: "If we can close your airport, your global lifeline, with one rocket from Gaza, imagine what happens if you leave the West Bank, right next door." That FAA ban will now be used here as a key argument for why Israel must never cede the West Bank. I can hear the applause in Tehran, Iran, from here.

And then there were the Hamas tunnels and what they revealed. I toured one just across the Gaza border, near Kibbutz Ein Hashlosha. It was lined for a couple miles with prefab concrete siding and roofing. It had electricity and railroad tracks. What struck me most, though, was the craftsmanship - the way all the prefab concrete pieces were perfectly designed and fit together. This tunnel took years and millions of dollars to build and required diverting massive resources from civilian roads, buildings and schools. It had one purpose, and it was not fruit exports. It was to shuttle fighters into the kibbutz. And there were many of these. I must say I was awed by the sheer dedication it took to dig this tunnel, but sickened by what fueled that dedication: an apocalyptic jihadist agenda. The religious nationalist-forces have the real energy in this region today. More and more, this is becoming a religious conflict. The Times of Israel reported that, at the start of this war, "in an official dispatch sent to battalion and company commanders on July 9, Givati Brigade commander Colonel Ofer Winter" - one of Israel's top officers on the Gaza front - "told his subordinates that 'History has chosen us to spearhead the fighting [against] the terrorist 'Gazan' enemy which abuses, blasphemes and curses the God of Israel's [defense] forces.'" Frightening. Jihadists are now sweeping across Iraq and Syria, wiping out Christians and other minorities. As the Lebanese writer Hanin Ghaddar noted this week: Lebanese historian Kemal Salibi once observed that "it is Christian Arabs who keep the Arab world 'Arab' rather than 'Muslim'" and "have played a vital role in defining a secular Arab cultural identity." Now, she said, "the region seems to be going back to tribalism, as if a century of intellectual awakening and secular ideas are being erased and our identities are evaporating." Here is where Israel does have a choice. Its reckless Jewish settlement project in the West Bank led it into a strategy of trying to keep the moderate Palestinian Authority there weak and Hamas in Gaza even weaker. The only way Israel can hope to stabilize Gaza is if it empowers the Palestinian Authority to take over border control in Gaza, but that will eventually require making territorial concessions in the West Bank to the Palestinian Authority, because it will not act as Israel's policeman for free. This is crunchtime. Either Arab and Israeli moderates collaborate and fight together, or the zealots really are going to take over this neighborhood. Please do not return to your routines. □



## Obama's Other Success



Paul Krugman

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Although the enemies of health reform will never admit it, the Affordable Care Act is looking more and more like a big success. Costs are coming in below predictions, while the number of uninsured Americans is dropping fast, especially in states that haven't tried to sabotage the program. Obamacare is working. But what about the administration's other big push, financial reform? The Dodd-Frank reform bill has, if anything, received even worse press than Obamacare, derided by the right as anti-business and by the left as hopelessly inadequate. And like Obamacare, it's certainly not the reform you would have devised in the absence of political constraints. But also like Obamacare, financial reform is working a lot better than anyone listening to the news media would imagine. Let's talk, in particular, about two important pieces of Dodd-Frank: creation of an agency protecting consumers from misleading or fraudulent financial sales pitches, and efforts to end "too big to fail." The decision to create a Consumer Financial Protection Bureau shouldn't have been controversial, given what happened during the housing boom. As Edward M. Gramlich, a Federal Reserve official who warned prophetically of problems in subprime lending,

asked, "Why are the most risky loan products sold to the least sophisticated borrowers?" He went on, "The question answers itself - the least sophisticated borrowers are probably duped into taking these products." The need for more protection was obvious.

Of course, that obvious need didn't stop the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, financial industry lobbyists and conservative groups from going all out in an effort to prevent the bureau's creation or at least stop it from doing its job, spending more than \$1.3 billion in the process. Republicans in Congress dutifully served the industry's interests, notably by trying to prevent President Barack Obama from appointing a permanent director. And the question was whether all that opposition would hobble the new bureau and make it ineffective.

At this point, however, all accounts indicate that the bureau is in fact doing its job, and well - well enough to inspire continuing fury among bankers and their political allies. A recent case in point: The bureau is cracking down on billions in excessive overdraft fees. Better consumer protection means fewer bad loans, and therefore a reduced risk of financial crisis. But what happens if a crisis occurs anyway?

The answer is that, as in 2008, the government will step in to keep the financial system functioning; nobody wants to take the risk of repeating the Great Depression. But how do you rescue the banking system without rewarding bad behavior? In particular, rescues in times of crisis can give large financial players an unfair advantage: They can borrow cheaply in normal times, because everyone knows that they are "too big to fail" and will be bailed out if things go wrong.

The answer is that the government should seize troubled institutions when it bails them out, so that

they can be kept running without rewarding stockholders or bondholders who don't need rescue. In 2008 and 2009, however, it wasn't clear that the Treasury Department had the necessary legal authority to do that. So Dodd-Frank filled that gap, giving regulators Ordinary Liquidation Authority, also known as resolution authority, so that in the next crisis we can save "systemically important" banks and other institutions without bailing out the bankers.

Bankers, of course, hate this idea; and Republican leaders like Mitch McConnell tried to help their friends with the Orwellian claim that resolution authority was actually a gift to Wall Street, a form of corporate welfare, because it would grease the skids for future bailouts.

But Wall Street knew better. As Mike Konczal of the Roosevelt Institute points out, if being labeled systemically important were actually corporate welfare, institutions would welcome the designation; in fact, they have fought it tooth and nail. And a new study from the Government Accountability Office shows that while large banks were able to borrow more cheaply than small banks before financial reform passed, that advantage has now essentially disappeared. To some extent this may reflect generally calmer markets, but the study nonetheless suggests that reform has done at least part of what it was supposed to do.

Did reform go far enough? No. In particular, while banks are being forced to hold more capital, a key force for stability, they really should be holding much more. But Wall Street and its allies wouldn't be screaming so loudly, and spending so much money in an effort to gut the law, if it weren't an important step in the right direction. For all its limitations, financial reform is a success story. □



# Them's fighting words! The politics of place names

**KEN MORITSUGU**  
**Associated Press**

**TOKYO (AP)** — Is it the Persian Gulf or the Arabian Gulf? Mount McKinley or Denali? Mumbai or Bombay?

Some geographic names don't just tell us where we live or where we're going. They're also a political statement, or in the eyes of some, a politically incorrect one. They may not spark a war of the worlds, but they can cause a war of words. China struck back last week after Japan slapped monikers on 158 previously unnamed islands off its shores. Five of them are part of a cluster that both nations claim and is itself the subject of a name dispute: Is it the Senkaku or the Diaoyu islands?

"No unilateral action undertaken by Japan can change the fact that Diaoyu and its surrounding islands belong to China," Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Qin Gang said, using his country's name for the remote tropical islands in the East China Sea.

One of the most cited examples is a 1970s feud over Cyprus that played out in a United Nations forum. It started after Turkey occupied the northern part of the Mediterranean island, and replaced Greek names for villages with Turkish ones.

In a letter to the U.N. conference on geographic names, Cyprus accused Turkey of committing "all kinds of unprecedented atrocities" against the Greek population, according to retired Israeli cartographer Naftali Kadmon, who reviewed the official documents.

"They demonstrate that geographical names can constitute explosive items or, in popular terms, hot potatoes," he wrote in a 2004 article for The Cartographic Journal in Britain.

The Turkish Federated State of Cyprus, which Kadmon noted was not recognized by the U.N., responded in kind, saying, "The willful and unjustified change of



**In this Sunday August 20, 1995 file photo, a sign at the popular Gateway of India tourist site in Bombay welcomes visitors with the unfamiliar name, "Mumbai."**

**Associated Press**



**In this Sunday, Aug. 18, 2013 file photo, Japanese Coast Guard boat and vessel sail alongside Japanese activists' fishing boat, not in photo, warning the activists away from a group of disputed islands called Diaoyu by China and Senkaku by Japan.**

**Associated Press**

names has been a political pastime of the Greek Cypriot leaders for a long number of years."

The study of geographic names is known as toponymy, and those who specialize in it say it's more than an academic pursuit. "In a sense, naming expresses ownership, because it implies both comprehension and the legitimacy of the namer's historical and cultural legacy," professor Dan Montello wrote in a 2010 posting on the University of California, Santa Barbara, geology department's website. "Hence, colonizers and claimants to territory usually change toponyms, and the original owners usually change them back if and when they get a chance."

Saigon became Ho Chi

Minh City in 1976 after the North defeated the South and its American allies in the Vietnam War.

Since 1984, it's been Burkina Faso, not Upper Volta, or Haute-Volta, as its former French rulers dubbed the West African state.

In India, part of Britain's former empire, Bombay became Mumbai in 1995, and the southern city of Madras was renamed Chennai the following year.

Politicians sometimes make these changes to stir national or ethnic pride, and some in Mumbai still feel uncomfortable with the name change, which was carried out by a nativist party that rose to power after stoking deadly anti-Muslim riots in the city, said Naresh Fernandes, the author of "City Adrift:

A Short Biography of Bombay."

"Given the bloody circumstances in which the name was changed, the word Mumbai now smells to me of gloating triumphalism, and I always call the city Bombay," said Fernandes, who covered the name change as a reporter for The Associated Press in 1995.

East Asian waters are dotted with islands claimed by more than one country, putting even the names of the seas in dispute.

South Korea gained a victory this year when the U.S. state of Virginia, pressured by Korean Americans, agreed that new school textbooks should note that the Sea of Japan is also known as the East Sea, the name it prefers for the waters between the two countries. The Philippines, locked in disputes with China over several islands and reefs, proclaimed in 2012 that part of the South China Sea would henceforth be called the West Philippine Sea.

For Japan, it was the act of naming the 158 islands last week that mattered, not

and claim for itself," said Jeff Kingston, a professor of contemporary Japan at Temple University's campus in Tokyo.

Most of the islands are tiny outcroppings whose one requirement is that their highest point remains above water at high tide. About half of them had names used by fishermen and others, and the government adopted those as the official ones. The others, mainly in more remote waters, were given generic directional names such as Southeast Small Island, indicating their location relative to other geographic features.

The exercise has brought to light some unusual names. An island off the Pacific coast in western Japan is called Soviet Island, though it is nowhere near Russia. The island, which sits about 500 meters (yards) offshore, is a popular fishing ground. Toshio Horitani, an official in Susami, the nearest town, described it as the size of a living room, and said people can stand on it when the water is calm.

There's no record of how it got its name.



**In this July 24, 1974 file photo, a Turkish army tank passes the Saray Hotel in the Turkish section of Nicosia, Cyprus. On the roof of a nearby building is a picture of Kemal Ataturk, founder of the modern Turkish republic**

**Associated Press**

the actual names. Now most of the 500 islands used to define the extent of Japan's territorial waters have been named.

"It's a rather unique mega-naming gambit to lay claim to uninhabited islands, reflecting Tokyo's concern that Beijing might name

"I believe people meant it's so far away, like (the) Soviet (Union), because it's the furthest from the shore," said Horitani, who has been fielding calls from journalists asking about the name's origins.

Name changes can cause diplomatic angst. □